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Annual Report

Ira J. Packard

Searsmont, Maine

1943

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF

SEARSMONT, MAINE

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

1943

CITY JOB PRINT BELFAST

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
WYMAN G. DRINKWATER CLARENCE E. GELO
FRED A. ELMES
Compensation—Town Wage Rate

Treasurer
Harriet E. Knight
Compensation, $75 per annum

Tax Collector and Constable
Ira J. Packard—2 per cent

Moderator
Harold Nutter
Compensation, Town Wage Rate Each Meeting

Town Clerk
Alleine W. Adams
Compensation, $25 and fees

Road Commissioners
Frederick Cross Frank Jackson E. Colby Howard
Compensation, Town Wage Rate

School Committee
Shirley A. Lewis Hiram R. Davis Ethel Higgins
Compensation, $10.00 per year each

School Superintendent
A. F. Barnes, for five-town-district
Searsmont's salary contribution, $175.00

Fire Warden and Inspector
R. B. Knight, Compensation, Town Wage Rate

Health Officer
Ethel Higgins, Compensation, Town Wage Rate

Sealer of Weights and Measures
F. A. Elmes

Constable
Ira J. Packard

HONOR ROLL

Searsmont Boys in the Armed Forces

World War II *to date*

Ralph Boyington
Arthur Butler
Ralph Butler
Norman Cunningham
Clarence Drinkwater
Milan Fuller
Robert Hall
Elwood Hayes
Drummond Hemenway
Lawrence Higgins
Edgar Holmes
Richard Higgins
Howard Holmes
Bernard Jackson
Donald Lucas, Jr. *
Philip J. Maddocks
Kenneth Marriner
Clayton Poland
Lloyd Ratten
Richard Ratten
Norman Ripley
Curtis Rogers
Alton Sweet
Clifford Tenney
Ernest Tenney
Dennis Wentworth
Richard Wentworth
Charles Butler
Merrill Cushman
Ernest Cushman
Manley Fuller
Linwood Fuller
Lindley Warner
Granville Byers
Elden Maddocks, Jr.
Adelbert Higgins
Elmer Cunningham
Alfred Merriam
Gilbert Ripley
Robert Warner
Stanley Roberts
Isaiah Davis
Roscoe Ryan

* *Died in the Service*

State of Maine

STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

Augusta

February 22, 1944

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Searsmont:

This is to certify that your selectmen have made application for an audit of their town accounts for the year ending in February 1944. Due to the rush of work at this time of year it is impossible for us to take care of this work before the month of March. We plan on doing your work soon and will submit our report to your selectmen at that time.

Very truly yours,
STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT
Harold E. Crawford,
Municipal Auditor.

STATEMENT BY SELECTMEN

We have on file a complete report of the audit made by the State Department of Audit for the year ending February 3, 1943. Due to the fact that printing this entire report would cause repetition of some parts of our printed report for last year, we are only including in this report the schedule submitted by the State which did not appear before.

State of Maine

STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

Augusta

June 24, 1943

To The Inhabitants of the Town of Searsmont:

In accordance with the request of your municipal officers, this department, represented by C. G. Hawes, has completed an examination of the accounts of your town officials for the municipal year ended February 3, 1943.

In our opinion, based upon such examination, the accompanying exhibits and schedules fairly present the financial condition of your municipality as of February 3, 1943 and the results of its operations for period then ended.

The data obtained by us is summarized in the following:

		Comments
Exhibit	A	Balance Sheet
Exhibit	B	Cash Receipts and Disbursements
Exhibit	C	1942 Valuation, Tax Assessment and Collection
Exhibit	D	Statement of Departmental Operations
Exhibit	E	Analysis of Change in Net Surplus
Schedule	1	Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Balance
Schedule	2	Summary of Uncollected Taxes
Schedule	3	Summary of Tax Liens
Schedule	4	Accounts Receivable
Schedule	5	Notes Payable

Respectfully submitted,
STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT
HAROLD E. CRAWFORD
Municipal Auditor

COMMENTS

Cash:

All receipts as recorded were found to have been properly accounted for and deposited in the bank currently as summarized on Exhibit B.

Expenditures were made by check from warrants drawn by the Selectmen, as summarized on Exhibits B and D.

The cash balance reconciled with the bank statement at the close of the municipal year as per detail on Schedule 1.

Taxes—Property and Poll:

The 1942 tax commitment was added and found to agree with the records of the Assessors. The total commitment was accounted for by cash and authorized abatements or was still unpaid.

According to the records, payments received and abatements made on prior years' taxes appear to have been credited against the proper balances. Schedule 2 summarizes all unpaid taxes for various years, with supporting detail on Schedule 2-a.

Excise Tax:

Excise taxes were checked from the triplicate copies of the receipts and the amounts specified had been deposited with the Treasurer as shown on Exhibit B. The receipts and disposition of same are as follows:

1942 Year—Receipts No. 20—159	$464.54
1943 Year—Receipts No. 1—16	57.96
Carried to Net Surplus (Exhibit E)	$522.50

General:

A test check was made of paid bills and payrolls and as far as our examination went, all appeared to be proper charges and correctly recorded.

The records of dog licenses indicate collection in the sum of $108.90 which has been received by the State Treasurer.

With the exception of cash, no external verification was made of your asset and liability accounts.

EXHIBIT A

Town of Searsmont

Comparative Balance Sheet

ASSETS

Schedules	*Feb.* 3, 1943		*Feb.* 3, 1942	
1 Cash—General	1,982.69		156.07	
Cash—Impounded	24.57		24.57	
		2,007.26		180.64
Tax Accounts:				
2 Uncollected Taxes	2,631.68		3,416.25	
3 Tax Liens	1,802.72		2,534.90	
		4,334.40		5,951.15
4 Accounts Receivable		269.48		169.98
TOTAL ASSETS		6,611.14		6,301.77

LIABILITIES

5 Notes Payable		1,500.00		2,000.00
Due Governmental Agencies:				
County Tax—1941				183.93
1940—41 Tax Suspense				.20
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,500.00		2,184.13
Surplus Accounts:				
Ex. D Departmental Balances Forward (net)	2,285.81		1,908.34	
Ex. E Net Surplus	2,825.33		2,209.30	
		5,111.14		4,117.64
COMBINED LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS ACCOUNTS		6,611.14		6,301.77

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Real Estate, Resident	132,698.00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	78,329.00	
		211,027.00
Personal Estate, Resident	36,265.00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	2,250.00	
		38,515.00
Total Valuation of Real and Personal Estate		249,542.00

EXEMPT

Livestock and Poultry	5,284.00	
Exempt Polls 34 at $3.00	102.00	
		5,386.00

ASSESSMENTS

Polls, 129 at $3.00	387.00	
Real and Personal Estates valued at $2,495.42 at .061	15,228.14	
		15,615.14

SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENTS

Real Estate	9.15	
9 polls at $3.00	27.00	
		36.15
Total Tax Assessed		15,651.29

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

Assets	*Feb.* 3 1943	*Feb.* 4 1944
Cash on Hand	1,982.69	4,204.34
Cash Impounded	24.57	24.57
1943 Taxes		2,001.39
1942 Taxes	2,292.65	40.47
1941 Taxes	209.77	8.13
1940 Taxes	29.29	
1933 Tax Liens	13.60	5.70
1934 Tax Liens	73.40	53.35
1935 Tax Liens	105.15	84.75
1936 Tax Liens	13.97	11.70
1937 Tax Liens	81.74	65.74
1938 Tax Liens	160.48	84.98
1940 Tax Liens	196.60	94.09
1941 Tax Liens	315.30	176.45
1942 Tax Liens		383.29
Due from State Poor Relief	271.42	5.82
Due from the Everett A. Heal Estate		18.39
Due from the Annie Neal Estate		114.30
Liabilities		
Notes Payable	1,500.00	750.00
Unexpended Balances		
County Tax	183.93	
Collector's Commission	50.94	75.92

Maintenance Third Class Road	137.70	339.11
Road and Bridges		524.73
Pond Road	23.73	10.53
Cutting Bushes		317.70
Old Cemeteries & Flags		16.90
Mother's Aid	77.00	4.83
Veteran's Aid	215.40	212.76
Common Schools	677.05	612.56
Text Books & Supplies	288.32	250.81
Schoolhouse Repairs & Insurance	62.38	210.43
Secondary Tuition	219.21	253.03
Interest on Loans	157.43	66.38
Contingent	394.42	214.06

TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT

Treasurer's Receipts	21,704.98	
Paid out on Warrants		17,500.64
Feb. 4, Cash Balance		4,204.34
	21,704.98	21,704.98

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Commitment	15,615.14	
Supplemental	36.15	
Due from Tax Collector		13,433.39
Cash to Treasurer		216.51
By Abatements:		
Uncollected Real Estate, Personal and Poll Taxes		2,001.39
	15,651.29	15,651.29

SUMMARY OF OVERDRAFTS AND UNEXPENDED BALANCE

February 4, 1944

	Overdraft	*Unexpended Balance*
Abatements	449.36	
Town Officers' Salaries	61.93	
Rental, Fuel and Office Supplies	8.74	
Special Resolve Road	8.50	
Road Patrol	87.60	
Supplement aid to Old Age & Blind	303 80	
Supt. of Schools	3.66	
Fire Equipment	18.87	
Bonds for Treasurer	2.50	
Snow Removal	578.61	
Overlay		252.79
Excise Tax		440.40
Contingent		566.89
White Pine Blister		.07
Poor Relief		213.42
	1,473.57	1,473.57

APPROPRIATIONS

Voted at Town Meeting	12,378.50	
State Tax	2,136.09	
County Tax	883.91	
Overlay	216.64	
Supplementary Commitment	36.15	
May 8, Commitment		15,615.14
Supplementary Commitment		36.15
	15,651.29	15,651.29

TOWN PROPERTY

Six Schoolhouses	4,650.00	
Road Machines	175.00	
Snow Fence	475.00	
Two Safes	50.00	
One-fifth interest in weights & measures	30.00	
One-half int. in five gal. measure	7.00	
Adding Machine	55.00	
Hand Fire Pumps	65.00	
Fire Truck and equipment	1,600.00	
Sander	20.00	
Typewriter	25.00	
		7,152.00

BANK RESERVE

City Nat'l Bank Reserve	24.57	
Balance to 1944		24.57
	24.57	24.57

OVERLAY

Overlay		216.64
Supplement Assessment		36.15
Carried to Summary	252.79	
	252.79	252.79

STATE TAX

State Tax 1943		2,136.09
Dog License Refund	137.44	
R. R. & Tel. Tax	2.49	
State School Fund	1,515.22	
Treas. of State	570.15	
	2,136.09	2,136.09

COUNTY TAX

Commitment		883.91
Distributions:		
Sept. 4, County Treasurer	442.00	
Oct. 12, County Treasurer	441.91	
	883.91	883.91

EXCISE TAX

Excise Tax		440.40
Carried to Summary	440.40	
	440.40	440.40

ABATEMENTS

By abatement voted at the annual town meeting that a 2 per cent discount on cash payment of taxes ending July 10, 1943	119.27	
Abatements for 1941	159.55	
Abatements for 1942	170.54	
Carried to Summary		449.36
	449.36	449.36

OUTSTANDING LOANS

Due Feb. 3, 1943 F. G. Kalile.....		1,500.00
Paid July 4, 1943.....	750.00	
Balance to 1944.....	750.00	
	1,500.00	1,500.00

TEMPORARY LOANS

The First Nat'l Bank, Belfast, April 13, 1943.....		1,000.00
Paid First Nat'l Bank, Belfast Sept. 4, 1943.....	500.00	
Paid First Nat'l Bank, Belfast Oct. 12, 1943.....	500.00	
	1,000.00	1,000.00

1940 TAX ACCOUNT

J. G. Packard (Collector Deceased)....		
Ira J. Packard Appointed:		
1940 Uncollected.....	29.29	
Collected and Credited.....		29.29
	29.29	29.29

1941 TAX ACCOUNT

Ira J. Packard Collector		
1941 Uncollected	209.77	
Collected and Credited		42.09
By Abatements		159.55
Balance Uncollected to 1944		8.13
	209.77	209.77

1942 TAX ACCOUNT

1942 Uncollected	2,292.62	
Supplemental	9.00	
Abatements		170.54
Tax Liens Credited		993.35
Collected and Credited		1,097.26
Balance Uncollected to 1944		40.47
	2,301.62	2,301.62

1943 TAX ACCOUNT

1943 Commitment	15,615.14	
Supplemental Tax	36.15	
Collected and Credited		13,433.39
By Abatements		216.51
Balance Uncollected to 1944		2,001.39
	15,651.29	15,651.29

Resident Unpaid Taxes

		Paid Since Books Closed
Aldus, Josephine L.	16.55	16.55
Beverage, Malvina A.	96.39	
Butler, Clinton A.	51.83	
Byron, Guy R.	77.13	
Corson, Rosie M.	22.88	
Cunningham, Elbridge	3.00	
Davis, George Heirs of	39.65	
Drummond, Bertrand A.	119.82	
Drummond, Bernice	2.44	
Dyer, Annie	18.91	
Fuller, Maynard	2.44	
Gerrish, Willis H.	17.39	
Gove, George W.	6.10	
Gove, Gladys M. & Heirs of Hattie A.	67.10	
Harriman, Hilda A.	18.30	
Harriman, Lawrence S.	3.61	
Heal, Dalton	13.42	
Heal, C. A. Heirs & W. L. Heirs of	3.05	
Hemenway, Benj.	9.10	
Hannon, Frank E.	17.96	
Longley, Mahlon	28.20	10.00
Lucas, Don C.	120.73	76.20
MacKenzie, Charles and Elinor	11.52	
Mehuren, Carrie E.	21.35	
Nutter, Ralph H.	15.25	
Richards, Cora M.	12.20	
Richards, Ivory	5.14	
Shepard, Alfred P.	56.39	
Skinner, William H.	19.30	19.30
Tenney, Eugene S.	27.40	
Tenney, Mildred S.	10.07	
Tenney, Trafton H.	21.35	

Thomas, George L.	26.54
Victor Grange, P. of H.	18.30
Veits, Lawrence	2.14
Wentworth, Bertha E.	24.40
Wood, Byron A.	81.39
Wood, William G.	51.85

Non-Resident Taxes Unpaid

		Paid Since Books Closed
Burgess, James F.	21.35	
Bowley, Robert R.	88.45	
Cooper, Frank H.	55.33	
Cutting, Edward C.	7.63	7.63
Dodge, Ira C.	200.00	
Dean, Fred A. & Arthur W.	18.30	18.30
Edgecomb, Edrick	9.15	
Fuller, George Heirs of	.31	
Farrington, Stuart M.	50.56	
Fairbrother, Polly T.	9.52	
Hamlin, Isa M.	18.30	
Higgins, Daniel Heirs of	12.20	
Kendall, Frederick G.	24.40	24.28
Knight, Linley A. Heirs of	6.10	
Martins, George H. Jr.	22.45	
MacKenna, Mary & Cummings, Sibil	16.60	16.60
Morrow, J. T. Heirs of	61.00	
MacKenzie, Louise A.	81.80	
Pert, C. Melvin Heirs of	21.35	
Pearse, Crosby M.	24.40	
Ramson, Amer	54.90	
Thomas, Horation C., Heirs of	12.20	
Thomas, James H., Heirs of	9.15	
Whitney, Martha E., Heirs of	15.25	15.25

TAX LIENS—1933

Tax Liens, 1933	13.60	
Sold and Credited		7.90
Balance uncollected to 1944		5.70
	13.60	13.60

TAX LIENS—1934

Tax Liens, 1934	73.40	
Sold and Credited		20.05
Balance uncollected to 1944		53.35
	73.40	73.40

TAX LIENS—1935

Tax Liens, 1935	105.15	
Sold and Credited		20.40
Balance Uncollected to 1944		84.75
	105.15	105.15

TAX LIENS—1936

Tax Liens, 1936	13.97	
Sold and Credited		2.27
Balance Uncollected to 1944		11.70
	13.97	13.97

TAX LIENS—1937

Tax Liens, 1937	81.74	
Sold and Credited		16.00
Balance Uncollected to 1944		65.74
	81.74	81.74

TAX LIENS—1938

Tax Liens, 1938	160.48	
Sold and Credited		75.50
Balance Uncollected to 1944		84.98
	160.48	160.48

TAX LIENS—1939

Tax Liens	196.60	
Sold and Credited		111.52
Balance Uncollected to 1944		85.08
	196.60	196.60

TAX LIENS—1940

Tax Liens, 1940	315.30	
Sold and Credited		138.85
Balance Uncollected to 1944		176.45
	315.20	315.30

TAX LIENS—1941

Tax Liens, 1941	842.48	
Sold and Credited		665.33
Balance Uncollected to 1944		177.15
	842.48	842.48

TAX LIENS FOR 1933

This Property for Sale

William J. Knowlton	2.73	
J. Fred Marden	2.97	
		5.70

TAX LIENS FOR 1934

Ida I. Cobb	14.75	
Nancy Furbush, Heirs	38.60	
		53.35

TAX LIENS FOR 1935

George Butler	6.90	
Levi Campbell	4.20	
Ida Cobb	15.00	
Nancy Furbush, Heirs	39.30	
Arthur S. Fuller	12.30	
Ida Gilman	2.85	
Irving Rankin	4.20	
		74.75

TAX LIENS FOR 1936

George W. Butler	7.30	
Levi P. Campbell	4.40	
		11.70

TAX LIENS FOR 1937

Nancy Furbush, Heirs	42.10	
Fred Lucas, Heirs	9.04	
Lewis Robinson	7.30	
George Butler	7.30	
		65.74

TAX LIENS FOR 1938

Abbie M. Bryant, Heirs	42.10	
Abbie M. Bryant, Heirs	4.40	
Lewis L. Robinson	7.30	
Lewis L. Robinson	7.01	
Fred C. Lucas, Heirs	10.74	
Percy Knowlton	4.40	
Alvin Scott Gray	7.30	
		83.25

TAX LIENS FOR 1939

Howard W. Holmes	17.45	
Flora E. Hunt	18.90	
Abbie M. Bryant, Heirs	7.30	
Donahue and Payson	24.70	
Fidelphus Flag, Heirs	2.95	
Alvin Scott Gray	4.98	
Percy Knowlton	4.40	
		80.68

TAX LIENS FOR 1940

Dalton E. Heal	2.89	
Flora Hunt	20.70	
Ralph Bryant	3.10	
Edgar T. Bradbury	24.54	
Donahue & Payson	27.10	
Fidelphus C. Flag, Heirs	3.10	
Alvin Scott Gray	5.34	
John T. Morrow, Heirs	71.90	
Obed Fuller, Heirs	4.70	
Obed Fuller, Heirs	3.10	
		166.47

TAX LIENS FOR 1941

Ralph Bryant	3.13
Frank Cooper, Lot 8	1.83
Frank Cooper, Lot 9	1.56
Frank Cooper, Lot 10	1.83

Frank Cooper, Lot 11	1.56	
Elmore Milling Company	27.50	
George W. Fuller, Heirs	1.83	
Daniel Higgins, Heirs	14.50	
John T. Morrow, Heirs	66.50	
Almond J. Wright	24.90	
Obed Fuller, Heirs	4.75	
Obed Fuller, Heirs	3.13	
C. A. & W. L. Heal	4.75	
Howard Holmes	19.38	
		177.15

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Appropriation		750.00
Refund		.40
Distributions:		
Harold Nutter, Moderator	3.52	
W. G. Drinkwater, First Selectman	289.19	
C. E. Gelo, Second Selectman	210.02	
Fred A. Elmes, Third Selectman	112.39	
Ira J. Packard, Constable	8.00	
Ethel Higgins, Health Officer	8.00	
Shirley Lewis, School Comm.	10.00	
Hiram Davis, School Comm.	10.00	
A. W. Adams, Rec. births, deaths, etc.	7.75	
Geo. Skinner, Ballot Clerk, 1942	4.84	
State Dept. of Audit	46.55	
Harriet Knight, Town Treas.	75.00	
A. W. Adams, Town Clerk	25.00	
Internal Revenue Collector	2.07	
Overdraft to Summary		61.93
	812.33	812.33

COLLECTOR COMMISSION

Appropriation		375.00
Distribution:		
Ira J. Packard, Collector of Taxes	299.08	
Balance to 1944	75.92	
	375.00	375.00

RENTAL, FUEL AND OFFICE SUPPLIES

Appropriation		300.00
Distributions:		
Liberty & Belfast Tel. & Tel.	21.13	
Mark's Printing House	41.45	
Ernest Ratten, Postage	10.41	
Loring, Short & Harmon, Supplies	19.00	
City Job Print, Town Reports	158.00	
Ira J. Packard, Postage	15.63	
Ethel Higgins	1.92	
Hutchins Bros., Supplies	1.40	
Harriet E. Knight Postage	8.03	
James Robbins & Son	1.75	
R. B. Knight, Supplies	1.09	
A. W. Adams, Postage	3.63	
W. G. Drinkwater	.30	
Sprowl Bros. Rent	25.00	
Overdraft to Summary		8.74
	308.74	308.74

CONTINGENT

No Appropriation		
Balance from 1942		394.42
Mrs. Richard Goebel, Town Property		62.25
State Treas. Bank stock tax		12.14
R. B. Knight		33.45
Wentworth Wilson		5.00
Frederick Cross		169.40
Hattie Cunningham		49.71
Anna Robinson		57.30
Mary B. Fuller		49.20
Allen Mollison		30.50
Byron Carr		42.10
Dog License Refund		48.23
R. R. and Tel. Tax		2.49
Hattie Cunningham		22.88
Merton E. Wood		47.14
James Nixon		7.04
Distributions:		
The First Nat'l Bank	12.29	
Alice Gelo, typing reports & warrants	13.60	
Clarence Gelo, Trans.	34.60	
Field & Quimby, Insurance	7.00	
Carrie G. Howes, Rec. Tax Liens	27.00	
R. B. Knight, Supplies	9.98	
Hillard Buzzell, Legal Advice	37.00	
Ethel Higgins	2.73	
Fred A. Elmes	.50	
W. G. Drinkwater	1.40	
Ira J. Packard, Coll. Dog Tax, Trans.	12.10	
A. W. Adams	9.85	
B. E. Larrabee, M. D. Vaccination	23.00	
Waldo County Register of Deeds	1.25	

City of Belfast, Fire Dept.	60.00	
Carried to Summary	566.89	
Balance to 1944	214.06	
	1,033.25	1,033.25

ROAD AND BRIDGE ACCOUNT

Appropriation		2,000.00
Reimbursement from J. Robbins and Son		22.02
Transfered from State Aid Road by vote of town at a special meeting		799.50
Distributions:		
E. C. Howard, Commissioner		
Horace Ripley	19.60	
Howard Clark	129.12	
E. C. Howard	139.55	
Merrick Bryant	78.82	
Clarence Gelo	3.70	
Frank Fuller	298.42	
Chas. Varner	27.70	
Jesse Thomas	15.80	
Alton Hammond	36.60	
Sprowl and Robbins	12.60	
Sidney Harriman	31.60	
James Robbins	21.32	
R. B. Knight	1.38	
Walter Sprowl	2.80	
Sprowl Bros.	12.81	
	831.82	

Frederick Cross, Commissioner	310.26
Sidney Harriman	15.30
Chas. McKenzie	29.75
Elmer Beverage	15.30
Colby Howard	38.25
Eugene Davis	12.63
Frank Fuller	93.97
Cooper and Company	28.75
Howard Clark	8.00
R. B. Knight	1.24
Fred Little	75.93
Fred Elmes	6.40
Jesse Thomas	4.00
Horace Ripley	4.00
Alton Hammond	75.24
Bertram McKenzie	14.05
Alfred Shepard	8.00
Albert Marriner	14.03
Boyd Whiting	26.23
Clarence Gelo	26.10
Guy Byron	2.48
Ray Harriman	13.00
Milton Hills	21.36
James Robbins and Son	15.55
Frank Jackson	36.30
	896.12

Frank Jackson, Commissioner	234.46
Elden Maddocks	93.37
Hale Sparrow	8.13
James Bartlett	23.35
Clarence Gelo	.90
Don Lucas	8.65
Arthur Jackson	11.71
Arland Choate	1.50

Loring Parker	.75	
Frank Fuller	37.95	
William Emmon	6.60	
E. S. Hook	2.11	
Benz. Parsons	17.05	
Hiram Davis	2.20	
James Robbins and Son	49.86	
Morgan Farrington	1.65	
Alton Hammond	10.40	
George Hook	4.95	
	515.59	
Selectmen's Orders:		
Fred A. Elmes	1.50	
Sprowl Bros.	1.00	
Files and O'Keefe Company	26.00	
Hall Hardware and Company	6.00	
Alexander Keene	.60	
R. B. Knight	.81	
W. G. Drinkwater	2.75	
	38.66	
Internal Revenue:		
Internal Revenue Collector	14.90	
	14.90	
Balance to 1944	524.73	
Grand Total	2,821.52	2,821.52

THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		631.00
Balance from 1942		137.70
Distributions:		
Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.	55.69	
Alton Hammond	86.15	
Sidney Harriman	39.19	
Clarence Gelo	73.41	
Willard Hammond	20.99	
Colby Howard	43.73	
Frank Fuller	57.25	
Merrick Bryant	4.00	
Jesse Thomas	4.00	
Frederick Cross	12.40	
Judson Sweetland	18.89	
Alfred Shepard	6.00	
Internal Revenue Collector	7.89	
	429.59	
Balance to 1944	339.11	
	768.70	768.70

CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriation		450.00
Distributions:		
Clarence Gelo	30.00	
Willard Hammond	13.20	
Albert Hammond	22.00	
Benj. Talenbloom	3.30	

Merton Woods	63.80	
	132.30	
Balance to 1944	317.70	
	450.00	450.00

SPECIAL RESOLVE MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		200.00
Distributions:		
Clarence Gelo	41.60	
Sidney Harriman	63.68	
Colby Howard	20.80	
Merrick Bryant	4.40	
Judson Sweetland	30.08	
Alfred Shepard	8.80	
Alton Hammond	23.40	
Willard Hammond	13.20	
Internal Revenue Collector	1.94	
Laurence Robbins	.60	
	208.50	
Overdraft to Summary		8.50
	208.50	208.50

ROAD PATROL

Appropriation		500.00
Treasurer of State	537.60	
Overdraft to Summary		37.60
	537.60	537.60

POND ROAD

No Appropriation		
Balance from 1942		23.73
Distributions:		
Frederick Cross	8.80	
F. A. Dunton	4.40	
	13.20	
Balance to 1944	10.53	
	23.73	23.73

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		1,000.00
E. O. Sprowl—Salt Bags		3.35
Town of Searsmont—Sander		21.87
Town of Searsmont—Sander		2.27
Clarence Gelo, over-payment		2.00
State Credit Plowing Black road		134.00
State Treasurer		596.85
Cost of plowing Black Road	134.00	
Linwood Fuller	9.75	
Sidney Harriman	53.49	
Judson Sweetland	16.00	
Howard Clark	22.50	
Frank Fuller	374.75	
Alton Hammond	111.73	
Clarence Gelo	161.07	
Miller Howard	5.24	
Town of Searsmont—Sander	24.14	
Sprowl Bros.	153.55	
Ernest Sprowl	57.63	

Raymond Harriman	207.24
Lawrence Cushman	17.12
Lee Sprowl	28.00
Gardner Hemingway	10.75
Lawrence Harriman	26.29
Elden Maddocks	15.95
Frank Jackson	8.00
James Bartlett	1.00
Colby Howard	8.50
Merrick Bryant	6.00
Francis Buzzell	8.00
Fred Elmes	17.65
Albert Buzzell	7.00
Harold Wing	1.75
Chester Richardson	2.00
State Sand and Gravel Co.	96.00
Richard Lewis	8.80
Internal Revenue Collector	4.84
Hale Sparrow	150.00
James Robbins and Son	3.08
R. B. Knight	.70
Boyd Whiting	23.43
Ben Parson	4.40
Bertrand McKenzie	10.85
Emory Blood	4.40
Frederick Cross	19.80
Albert Jackson	4.40
Town of Montville—Tractor	243.60
Martel McLain	.28
State Highway Comm.	46.75
M. E. Harriman	1.10
Fred Little	4.40
Ray Bartlett	.55
Forest Peavey	22.05
Harry Burton	3.85
Fred Foye	4.95

George Fowles	6.60	
Fred Kendall	150.27	
Forest Brown	21.17	
Frank Jackson	13.60	
Overdraft to Summary		578.61
	2,338.95	2,338.95

POOR RELIEF

Appropriation		200.00
Frederick R. Cross		70.00
Fred H. Hall		87.50
Cora Richards Account:		
R. B. Knight	15.98	
R. B. Knight	128.10	
	144.08	
Balance to Summary	213.42	
	357.50	357.50

MOTHER'S AID

Appropriation		100.00
Balance from 1942		77.00
Ethel Thompson:		
State Treasurer	172.17	
Balance to 1944	4.83	
	177.00	177.00

VETERAN'S AID

Balance from 1942		215.40
From Town of Rumford		52.84
Account No. 1:		
Bernice H. Keene	7.00	
E. C. Howard	4.50	
G. O. Hart	9.05	
Waldo County Hospital	3.00	
Fred A. Elmes	1.20	
Clarence Gelo	1.20	
Clarence Gelo	.18	
R. B. Knight	29.35	
	55.48	
Balance to 1944	212.76	
	268.24	268.24

STATE PAUPER ACCOUNT

State Treasurer		432.77
Balance due from State for 1942	271.42	
Martha Dumphe:		
Mrs. Kay Byers	43.72	
E. C. Howard	10.00	
W. G. Drinkwater	1.50	
R. B. Knight	19.11	
Sprowl Bros.	9.00	
Stacy Noyes	6.00	
Chas. Jones	2.00	
	91.33	

Frank Hannan:

R. B. Knight	18.73	
Chas. Corson	4.00	
Clarence Gelo	4.50	
Clifford Marriner	2.16	
E. C. Howard	8.00	
B. E. Larrabee, M. D.	16.00	
	53.39	

Mrs. Frank Hannan:

R. B. Knight	18.50	
	18.50	

Chas. Corson:

Fred A. Elmes	2.70	
G. O. Hart	1.25	
	3.95	
Grand Total	438.59	
Balance due from State 1943		5.82
	438.59	438.59

PUBLIC HEALTH WORK

Appropriation		55.00
State Treasurer	55.00	
	55.00	55.00

COMMON SCHOOLS

Appropriation		2,500.00
Balance from 1942		677.05
Rebate from School Bus Inc.		11.92
State School Fund		975.60
Amount of Deduction		1.20
School Census Supplement		27.00
Village School Teachers:		
Margie Grant	689.05	
Ann Avery	640.55	
	1,329.60	
North:		
Edna Newell	557.15	
	1,886.75	
Transportation:		
Richard Lewis	148.62	
M. E. Cushman	789.00	
Helen Sweet	22.50	
	960.12	
Elementary Tuition:		
Town of Montville	90.00	

Fuel:

Clarence Gelo	36.00
Lee Sprowl	12.00
M. E. Woods	57.75
R. M. Sparrow	110.00
E. C. Howard	4.00
W. S. Poland	6.60
	226.35

Janitor:

Burt Hunt	65.00
Vaughn Davis	16.50
Guy Byron	5.00
Horace Ripley	5.00
M. E. Cushman	85.00
Mildred Tenney	20.00
	196.50

Bus Insurance:

The Clark Agency	21.56

Lights:

Central Maine Power Co.	43.19

Lodging for Bible Teacher

Mrs. Ethel Higgins	16.25

Internal Revenue Collector:

Internal Revenue Collector	104.69

Teachers' Retirement Fund:

Treasurer of State	33.60	
Amount deducted for Bus plates	1.20	
	3,580.21	
Balance to 1944	612.56	
	4,192.77	4,192.77

SECONDARY TUITION

Appropriation		300.00
Balance from 1942 by Audit		219.21
State School Fund		539.62
Town of Appleton	101.00	
Town of Liberty	314.00	
City of Belfast	390.80	
Total	805.80	
Balance to 1944	253.03	
	1,058.83	1,058.83

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Appropriation		150.00
Balance from 1942		7.63
Albert F. Barnes	159.96	
Internal Revenue	1.33	
Overdraft to Summary		3.66
	161.29	161.29

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Appropriation		150.00
Balance from 1942		288.32
Ginn and Company	58.64	
American Book Company	56.97	
Webster Pub. Company	9.30	
A. E. Gager	.72	
J. L. Hammett and Company	11.15	
Florence Allen	3.57	
Edward E. Babb and Company	10.42	
Belfast Motor Express Company	23.52	
E. S. Hook	1.94	
Silver Burdett Company	1.57	
Paper Crafters	10.71	
Total for Books and Supplies	187.51	
Balance to 1944	250.81	
	438.32	438.32

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS AND INSURANCE

Appropriation		250.00
Balance from 1942		62.38
Village School:		
The Talbot Ins. Co.	44.46	
Field and Quimby	15.00	
L. A. Poland	10.00	
H. R. Davis	4.00	
W. A. Poland	1.00	
E. C. Howard	1.25	
John Levenseller	1.00	

Hall Hardware and Co.	10.44	
W. E. Aldus	8.25	
Phillip Paul	1.00	
Ben J. Parsons	.75	
Ghent School:		
Raymond Harriman	2.00	
James Robbins and Son	2.80	
Total	101.95	
Balance to 1944	210.43	
	312.38	312.38

OLD CEMETERIES AND FLAGS

Appropriation		50.00
F. D. Jones & Sons for Flags	14.40	
Horace Ripley for Labor	18.70	
Balance to 1944	16.90	
	50.00	50.00

INTEREST ON LOANS

No Appropriation		
Balance from 1942		157.43
First National Bank		15.95
Distributions:		
The First National Bank	32.00	
Francis G.Kalile	75.00	
Balance to 1944	66.38	
	173.38	173.38

BILLS OUTSTANDING

Francis G. Kalile, Note	750.00	
Snow Removal	1,893.81	
Sanding	299.76	
Poor Relief	100.00	
Town Officers Salaries	80.30	
		3,223.87

BILLS RECEIVABLE

Estimate of Reimbursements from State on Snow Removal	846.80	
Due from Collector:		
1941 Tax	8.13	
1942 Tax	40.47	
1943 Tax	2,001.39	
Town Property	744.90	
1942 Tax Liens	383.29	
Everett A. Heal, Estate	18.39	
Annie A. Neal, Estate	114.30	
		4,157.67
Assets over Liabilities		933.80

SUPPLEMENT TO OLD AGE AND BLIND ASSISTANCE

Appropriation		400.00
Reimbursement from Geo. Skinner for Annie Neal		13.00

Account No. 1:

Mildred Tenney	205.22
B. E. Larrabee, M. D.	37.00
Dr. Irving Tuttle	4.00
Horace Coombs	5.00
Abbie Greer	131.15
	382.37

Account No. 2:

B. E. Larrabee, M. D.	35.00
City Drug Store	6.87
G. O. Hart	64.37
Stacy Noyes, Dentist	2.00
Seth Read, M. D.	3.00
	111.24

Account No. 3:

B. E. Larrabee, M. D.	20.00
Horace Coombs	5.00
Dr. Irving Tuttle	12.00
Abbie Greer	38.00
	75.00

Account No. 4:

Abbie Greer	18.39	
	18.39	

Account No. 5:

Dr. Irving Tuttle 1939	2.50	
	2.50	

Account No. 6:

Horace Coombs	101.30	
Horace Ripley	5.00	
B. E. Larrabee, M. D.	21.00	
	127.30	
Grand Total	716.80	
Overdraft to Summary		303.80
	716.80	716.80

BONDS FOR TREASURER & TAX COLLECTOR

Balance from 1942		20.00
Field and Quimby	22.50	
Overdraft to Summary		2.50
	22.50	22.50

FIRE EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		100.00
Balance from 1942		5.54
Supplies:		
R. B. Knight	12.29	
Justin A. McCarthy	100.12	
Rent:		
Harriet Knight	12.00	
	124.41	
Overdraft to Summary		18.87
	124.41	124.41

MAINE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

Appropriation		30.00
Maine Municipal Association	30.00	
	30.00	30.00

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		138.00
Paid Central Maine Power Company	138.00	
	138.00	138.00

WHITE PINE BLISTER

Appropriation		200.00
Steven Bagley	39.05	
Theodore Kendall	44.55	

Lewis Robinson, Jr.	45.10	
Edward Littlefield	22.55	
William A. Eamon	23.10	
Clayton E. Howes	10.45	
Elmer E. Cotta	15.13	
Total	199.93	
Balance to Summary	.07	
	200.00	200.00

For the 1943 control season, your town appropriated $200.00 for cooperative control work with the State and Federal governments. As a result, 1,480 acres of pine plus protective zone were worked, from which were removed 10,332 wild currant and gooseberry bushes, at a cost of $633.28 (Town $199.93, and Federal government 433.35). You may need these figures for your town report.

As there are over 5,600 acres of pine plus protective zone still needing initial control work, we trust that the town will see fit to raise funds for the 1944 control season. Any town funds appropriated will be matched on a liberal cooperative basis. Our Federal Agent, H. G. Bradbury, of Belfast, who had direct supervision of the work, will call on you in the near future to discuss 1944 plans.

Very truly, yours,

W. O. FROST,

Asso. Path.

OAK GROVE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TRUST FUND

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. In First Nat'l Bank	1,708.50	
Interest May 1, 1943	8.54	
Interest Nov. 1, 1943	8.58	
City Nat'l Bank Reserve	103.23	
	1,828.85	
Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		1,700.00
Nov. 9, 1943 Withdrawn and deposited on working account		25.62
City Nat'l Bank Reserve		103.23
		1,828.85

OAK GROVE CEMETERY ASSN. WORKING FUND

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank	146.44	
Interest May 1, 1943	.73	
Interest Nov. 1, 1943	.73	
Nov. 9, 1943 Deposit income from the Association Fund	25.62	
Dec. 3, Deposit from Sale of lot to Colby Moore	20.00	
	193.52	
Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		49.69
Withdrawn:		
Nov. 1, 1943 B. MacKenzie		21.00
Nov. 3, 1943 Horace Ripley		36.92
Nov. 9, 1943 Raymond Harriman		17.50
Nov.9, 1943 Sidney Harriman		4.50
Nov.9, 1943 Alton Collins		2.50
Dec. 20, 1943 Horace Ripley		4.50

Dec. 20, 1943 W. G. Drinkwater....		9.45
Feb. 1944 H. P. Cobb.....		25.71
Jan. 25, 1943 R. B. Knight.....		21.75
		193.52

OAK GROVE CEMETERY FUND

Hartwell Woodcock Fund:

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank	10.37	
May 1, and Nov. 1, 1943, Interest.....	.10	
July 23, Deposit income from Bond....	2.50	
Dec. 8, Deposit income from Bond....	2.50	
U. S. Savings Bonds Series G.....	200.00	
	215.47	
Feb.4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		12.27
Nov. 19, 1943 Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		3.20
U. S. Saving Bonds Series G.....		200.00
		215.47

Obed B. Fuller Fund:

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank	26.09
May 1, and Nov. 1, 1943, Interest.....	.26
July 23, 1943 Deposit income from Bond.....	1.25
Dec. 8, 1943 Deposited income from Bond.....	1.25
U. S. Saving Bond Series G.....	100.00
	128.85

Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		25.73
Nov. 19, 1943 withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		3.12
U. S. Saving Bond		100.00
		128.85

Lucy Ella Clark Fund:

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank	3.15	
Interest, May 1, and Nov. 1, 1943	.02	
July 23, 1943 Deposit income from Bond	1.25	
Dec. 8, 1943 Deposited income from Bond	1.25	
U. S. Saving Bond Series G	100.00	
	105.67	
Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		3.56
Nov. 19, 1943 withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		2.11
U. S. Saving Bond		100.00
		105.67

Sumner Pattee Fund:

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank,	50.19	
Interest May 1, 1943	.25	
Interest Nov. 1, 1943	.25	
	50.69	
Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. In First Nat'l Bank		50.69

Albert L. McCorrison Fund:

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. In First Nat'l Bank	4.76	
Interest May 1, and Nov.1, 1943.....	.04	
July 23, 1943 Deposit from income on Bond.....	1.25	
Dec. 8, 1943 Deposit from income on Bond.....	1.25	
U. S. Saving Bond Series G..	100.00	
City National Bank Reserve	6.12	
	113.42	
Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		5.39
U. S. Saving Bond		100.00
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.. ...		6.12
Nov. 19, 1943, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb.....		1.91
		113.42

Charles Ripley Fund

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal. in First Nat'l Bank	3.95	
May 1 and Nov. 1, Interest.....	.02	
July 23, Deposit income from Bond....	1.25	
Dec. 8, Deposit income from Bond....	1.25	
U. S. Saving Bond Series G..	100.00	
	106.47	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		5.36
Nov. 19, 1943, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb.....		1.11
U. S. Saving Bond.....		100.00
		106.47

Judson L. Warren Fund:

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank	50.42	
Interest May 1, 1943	.25	
Interest Nov. 1, 1943	.25	
	50.92	
Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		50.00
Nov. 19, 1943 withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		.92
		50.92

Zetham Berry Lot:

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank	3.06	
Interest May1, and Nov. 1, 1943	.02	
July 23, 1943 Deposit income from Bond	1.25	
Dec. 8, 1943 Deposit income from Bond	1.25	
U. S. Savings Bond Series G	100.00	
	105.58	
Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		4.24
Nov. 19, 1943 withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		1.34
U. S. Saving Bond		100.00
		105.58

Deborah W. Lincoln Fund:

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank	54.82	
Interest May 1, 1943	.27	
Interest Nov. 1, 1943	.27	
	55.36	
Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		55.36

Albert T. Toothaker Fund:

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank	51.62	
Interest May 1, 1943	.25	
Interest Nov. 1, 1943	.25	
City Nat'l Bank Reserve	3.03	
	55.15	
Feb. 4, 1944 Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		50.83
Nov. 19, 1943 withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		1.29
City Nat'l Bank Reserve		3.03
		55.15

George Dyer Fund

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal. First Nat'l Bank	21.38	
May 1 & Nov. 1,Interest	.20	
July 23, Deposit Income from Bond	2.50	
Dec. 8, Deposit income from Bond	2.50	
U. S. Saving Bond, Series B	200.00	
	226.58	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank		25.00
Nov. 19, 1943, Withdrawn by		
H. P. Cobb		1.58
U. S. Saving Bond		200.00
		226.58

May L. Brown Fund

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal. First Nat'l Bank	2.23
Interest May 1 & Nov. 1,	.02
July 23, 1943, Dep. income from Bond	1.25
Dec. 8, 1943, Dep. income from Bond	1.25
U. S. Saving Bond, Series G	100.00
	104.75

Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....	3.14
Nov. 19, 1943, Withdrawn by	
H. P. Cobb.....	1.61
U. S. Saving Bond.....	100.00
	104.75

PINE GROVE CEMETERY FUNDS

Jeremiah Bean Fund

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. First Nat'l Bank.....	47.46	
May 1, 1943, Interest.....	.23	
Nov. 1, 1943, Interest.....	.23	
	47.92	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....		47.92

D. Webster Moody Fund

Feb. 3, 1943.. Bal. First Nat'l Bank....	47.27	
May 1, 1943, Interest.....	.23	
Nov. 1, 1943, Interest.....	.23	
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....	3.96	
	51.69	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First. Nat'l Bank....		47.73
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....		3.96
		51.69

Hattie R. Erskine Fund

Feb. 3, 1943 Bal. First Nat'l Bank.....	94.94	
May 1, 1943, Interest..... ..	.47	
Nov. 1, 1943, Interest.....	.47	
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....	5.94	
	101.82	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal First Nat'l Bank.....		95.88
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....		5.94
		101.82

Charles C. Skinner Fund

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....	3.50	
May 1 & Nov. 1, Interest.....	.02	
July 23, 1943, Dep. from inc. on Bond	1.25	
Dec. 8, 1943 Dep. from inc. on Bond..	1.25	
U. S. Saving Bond Series G..	100.00	
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....	6.33	
	112.35	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....		6.02
U. S. Saving Bond.....		100.00
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....		6.33
		112.35

EAST SEARSMONT CEMETERY FUNDS

William G. Mahoney Fund

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....	52.15	
May 1, 1943, Interest.....	.26	
Nov. 1, 1943, Interest.....	.26	
	52.67	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....		51.67
Jan. 31, 1943, Withdrawn By Albert Marriner.....		1.00
		52.67

Alfretta Ingraham Fund

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal First Nat'l Bank.....	8.46	
May 1 & Nov. 1, Interest.....	.04	
July 23, 1943, Deposit from bond.....	1.25	
Dec. 8, 1943, Deposit from bond.....	1.25	
U. S. Saving Bond.....	100.00	
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....	6.08	
	116.08	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank ...		6.50
Jan. 29, 1943.. Withdrawn by Albert Marriner.....		3.00
Jan. 31, 1944, Withdrawn by Albert Marriner.....		1.50
U. S. Saving Bond.....		100.00
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....		6.08
		116.08

John and Caroline Wellman Fund

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....	8.36	
May 1 & Nov. 1, Interest.....	.08	
July 23, 1943, Dep. inc. from Bond....	1.25	
Dec. 8, 1943, Dep. inc. from Bond.....	1.25	
U. S. Saving Bond Series G	100.00	
City Nat'l Bank Reserve	6.51	
	117.45	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....		8.94
Jan. 3, 1943, Withdrawn by		
Albert Marriner.....		2.00
U. S. Saving Bond.....		100.00
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....		6.51
		117.45

Arad H. Mahoney Fund

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....	4.50	
May 1 & Nov. 1, Interest.....	.04	
July 23, 1943, Dep. inc. from Bond....	1.25	
Dec. 8, 1943, Dep. inc. from Bond.....	1.25	
U. S. Saving Bond Series G..	100.00	
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....	25.07	
	132.11	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....		5.04
Jan. 31, 1944, Withdrawn by		
Albert Marriner.....		2.00
U. S. Saving Bond.....		100.00
City Nat'l Bank Reserve.....		25.07
		132.11

CHARLES RIPLEY TRUST FUNDS

Charles Ripley Trust Fund—Investments

$4,000 U. S. Treas. Bonds 2 3-4% due 1951-54 Interest	$110.00
3,000 U. S. Treas. Bonds 2 3-4% due 1960-65 Interest	82.50

CHARLES RIPLEY POOR FUND

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....	547.80	
May 1, 1943, Interest.....	2.73	
Nov. 1, 1943, Interest.....	2.75	
	$553.28	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....		552.28

INCOME ACCOUNT

Feb. 3, 1943, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....	155.49	
May 1, 1943, Interest.....	.77	
Nov. 1, 1943, Interest	.78	
Oct. 15, 1943, Deposit.....	192.50	
Dec. 15, 1943, Deposit.....	96.25	
	$445.79	
Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First Nat'l Bank....		445.79

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand Feb. 3, 1943	1,982.69	
Loan First Nat'l. Bank of Belfast	1,000.00	
Rebate on note	15.95	
		2,998.64
State Treasurer:		
Snow Removal 1942-43	596.85	
Pauper Account	432.77	
Bank Stock Tax	12.14	
State School Fund	27.00	
		1,068.76
Ira J. Packard:		
1943 Tax	13,433.39	
1942	1,097.26	
1941	42.09	
1940	29.29	
Excise Tax 1943-44	440.40	
		15,042.43

Sales of Town Property

Mrs. Richard Goebel—Ella Greeley Property	94.25
M. E. Cushman—C. F. Cushman Heirs Property	72.20
Everett Heal—Same	59.42
Jas. Nixon—Abbie Bryant Property	10.00

Merton E. Wood—Payment on Town Property	121.55	
R. B. Knight—H. H. Waters Property	75.76	
Loring Parker—Same	26.71	
Frederick Cross—Frank Wood Property	279.85	
Geo. H. Martins Jr.—Same	4.75	
Hattie Cunningham—Same	72.59	
Anna Robinson—Ida & R. L. Coose Property	176.30	
Clarence Grant—John Larrabee Property	19.51	
Mary B. Fuller—Everett Fuller Property	72.47	
Allan Mollison—Same	97.00	
Byron Carr—Herb. Hayes Property	50.00	
Harold Heald—Leroy Heald Property	155.40	
Martha Dumphe—Same	21.50	
Mrs. Anson Rowe—Chas. Flye Property	14.50	
		1,423.76

Tax Liens

Clinton Butler—Same	65.30
Sidney Moody Heirs—Crosby Pearse	1.50
Frank Cooper—Same	127.99
Isa M. Hamlin—Jas. Pattee & Son	20.10
Robert Bowley—Same	91.40
P. H. Hilton—Wm. Sack	112.00
Hilda Harriman—Same	21.00
Guy R. Byron—Same	1.50
Wentworth Wilson—Same	43.75
Fred Hall—Same	82.75

Louise MacKenzie—Same	47.97	
Geo. Martins Jr.—Same	71.13	
B. A. Drummond—Same	92.50	
Ella Wentworth—Same	7.88	
C. E. Gelo—Z. M. Dwinal	51.31	
Malvina Beveridge—Same	88.30	
Chas. & Elinor MacKenzie—Same	22.84	
		949.22
Jas. A. Robbins & Son, Reimbursement Road & Bridge Account	22.02	
E. O. Sprowl—Salt Bags	3.35	
The Clark Agency, Rebate on School Bus Insurance	11.92	
C. E. Gelo, Overpayment Snow Removal	2.00	
Geo. Skinner, Reimbursement Annie Neal Account	13.00	
Town of Rumford, Reimbursement Curtis Account	52.84	
Fred Hall, Reimbursement Thos. Hall Account	87.50	
Town of Searsmont, Use of Sander	24.14	
Wentworth Wilson, Hay Coose Place	5.00	
C. E. Gelo, Reimbursement Victory Tax	.40	
		222.17
Total Receipts		21,704.98
Warrants Drawn		17,500.64
Balance on Hand		4,204.34

HARRIET E. KNIGHT,
Treasurer

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

—Births—

1943

Feb. 9—In Searsmont to Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Banks, a son, Richard Carol.

April 4—In Searsmont to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred R. Kimbal, a son, Terrence Alford.

April 7—In Union to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Cushman, a daughter, Mary Ann.

May 21—In Belfast to Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawrence Robbins, a daughter, Roberta Jean.

June 9—In Searsmont to Mr. and Mrs. Guy R. Byron, a son, John Henry.

Aug. 11—In Searsmont to Mr. and Mrs. Willis H. Gerrish, a daughter, Shirley Louise.

Nov. 30—In Searsmont to Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Wentworth, a son, Reginald Owen.

Dec. 25—In Belfast to Mr. and Mrs. Leander Sprowl, a son, George Ernest.

—Marriages—

1943

Mar. 26—Arthur L. Beldew of Palermo, Me. and Madeline C. Bachelor of Libetty, Me. Married at Searsmont by Rev. Mary S. Gibson.

April 25—Arthur M. Chute of Waldoboro, Me. and Therisa B. Sherman of Waldoboro, Me. Married at Searsmont by Rev. Mary S. Gibson.

June 6—Norman W. Collins of Appleton, Me. and Mildred L. Griffin of Appleton, Me. Married at Searsmont by Rev. Harold W. Nutter.

June 21—Alton I. Clark of Belfast, Me. and Edna B. Welch of Belfast, Me. Married at Searsmont by Rev. Mary S. Gibson.

Oct. 22—Gilbert L. Ripley of Searsmont, Me. and Myrtle D. Fuller of Searsmont, Me. Married at Searsmont by Rev. Mary S. Gibson.

Nov. 6—Ralph H. Nutter of Searsmont, Me. and Athalee May MacArthur of Searsmont, Me. Married at Augusta, Me. by Rev. William R. Wood.

Dec. 9—Arnold J. Danforth of Union, Me. and Grace G. Jones of Washington, Me. Married at Searsmont by Rev. Harold W. Nutter.

—Deaths—

1943

Jan. 26—In Appleton, Me Amos F. Boynton, 91 yrs. 5 mos. 19 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Feb. 1—In Searsmont. Hattie B. Heald, 69 yrs. 6 mos, 16 days, Burial in East Searsmont.

Feb. 19—In Belfast, Me. Ella G. Whitten, 83 yrs, 3 mos. 17 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Mar. 4—In Rockland, Me. John Woods, 90 yrs. 8 mos. 2 days. Burial in Searsmont.

April 24—In Searsmont, Me. True P. Moody, 75 yrs. 0 mos. 25 days. Burial in Searsmont.

May 10—In Montville, Me. Perle E. Pease, 46 yrs. 4 mos. 22 days. Burial in Searsmont.

May 10—In Belmont, Me. Everett A. Heal, 67 yrs. 5 mos. 24 days. Burial in Searsmont.

May 28—In Belfast, Me. Alice F. Martin, 62 yrs. 11 mos. 14 days. Burial in Kennebunk, Maine.

May 31—In Montville, Me. Katherine F. Hooper, 80 yrs. 5 mos. 27 days. Burial in Searsmont.

June 2—In Bangor, Me. Percy O. Wellman, 66 yrs. 8 mos. 11 days. Burial in Old Town.

Aug. 15—In Belfast, Me. Annie L. Heal, 81 yrs. 4 mos. 8 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Nov. 15—In Rockland, Me. Martha J. Moore, 64 yrs. 3 mos. 29 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Nov. 19—In Belfast, Me. Margaret A. Dunton, 77 yrs. 7 mos. 15 days. Burial in Belfast, Me.

Nov. 21—In Searsmont, Me. Harry C. Paul, 63 yrs. 2 mos. 23 days. Burial in Morrill, Me.

Dec. 24—In Belfast, Me. Ella M. Babbidge, 86 yrs. 7 mos. 0 days. Burial in East Searsmont.

1944

Jan. 4—In Searsmont, Me. William C. Creamer, 77 yrs. 2 mos. 6 days. Burial in Waldoboro.

Jan. 24—In Searsmont, Me. Shirley Louise Gerrish, 5 mos. 3 days. Burial in Searsmont.

May 6, 1943—The ashes of Mrs. Julia A. Phillips were sent here from Redondo Beach, California, for burial in Pine Grove Cemetery.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I herewith submit my final report of the progress and condition of the schools in Searsmont..

The schools are in good condition and fairly well supplied with text books and material. War conditions have affected the schools, but we have been able to maintain the usual standard with very little increase in expense.

At present there are ten students attending high school from this town. One or two of this number will graduate this year. In most cases the rank has been very good. It is to be regretted that some of our young people waste their time in high school. No direct results are achieved, but the town must bear the expense of their tuition, unless they are turned down by the officials of the school where they attend.

The members of the School Committee have already been notified that on July first, of this year, the town of Searsmont will be united with the Liberty Union. The election of a superintendent will probably take place in May.

I appreciate the support given me by the Committee and Citizens. I also wish to thank the teachers for their cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT F. BARNES,

Supt. of Schools.

WARRANT

Waldo, ss. **State of Maine**

To Ira L. Packard, a Constable of the Town of Searsmont in the County of Waldo, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town of Searsmont qualified by law to vote in town affairs to assemble in Dirigo Hall in said Town on the thirteenth day of March, A. D. 1944 at ten o'clock Eastern War Time, in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes.

Art. 4. To choose three or more Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To choose a member of the School Committee for three years.

Art. 8. To choose one or more Constables and a Collector of Taxes and to determine the method of collecting the taxes.

Art. 9. To choose all other Town Officers.

Art. 10. To choose a Fire Warden and Inspector.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will accept the following ordinnance to wit:

Be it ordained by the Inhabitants of the Town of Searsmont, in the County of Waldo and State of Maine.

Sec. 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm, company, or corporation to kindle a fire on his or its own land or land of another, other than for household purposes without first obtaining a permit for same from two of the duly elected Selectmen of said Town.

Sec. 2. Any person or persons, firm, company or corporation violating any of the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to prosecution by the Courts of Waldo County and State of Maine, and upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than $100.00; or by imprisonment for more than three months; or by both said fine and imprisonment.

Art. 12. To see what wages the Town will vote to pay men, teams and trucks for the ensuing year.

12A To see what the Town will vote to pay School Committe for the ensuing year. $20.- per year

12B To see what the Town will vote to pay the Treasurer for the ensuing year. $75.—

12C To see what the Town will vote to pay the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poors for the ensuing year.

12D To see what the Town will vote to pay all other Town Officers, Town wage rate.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to grant a two per cent (2%) or more abatements on taxes for voluntary cash payments on or before July 10th.

Art. 14. To see of the Town will raise and appropriate $55.00 for public health nursing in Searsmont. Said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health, for local service.

Art. 15. To see what sum the town will raise and appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 28 Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 229, Public Laws of 1937.—$799.50

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to rescind any amounts appropriated by the Town for State Aid Highway construction in excess of the amount required to meet State apportionments.

Art. 17. To see what method the Town woll vote toa dopt for the care of the poor and needy of said town during ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for Poor Relief.—$200.00.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will raise for Supplement to Old Age Assistance and Blind.—$400.00

Art. 20 .To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the relief of needy war veterans and their dependents.—$100.00

Art. 21. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for Mother's Aid.—$175.00.

Art. 22. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for commission of Tax Collector.—$300.00.

Art. 23. To see how much money the town will raise for salaries of Town Officers.—$750.00.

Art. 24. To see how much money the town will raise for Contingent Expenses.

Art. 25. To see how much money the town will raise for Roads and Bridges.—$2,500.00

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to continue annual payment for Street lights according to terms of original agreement with additional street lights at North Searsmont.—$138.00.

Art. 27. To see of the town will vote to raise $631.00 for the maintenance of improved third class road.—$631.00

Art. 28. To see what sum the town will raise to cut bushes on improved roads.—$300.00.

Art. 29. To see if the town will raise $500.00 to pay share of state road patrol as required for the ensuing year. —$500.00.

Art. 30. To see what action the town will take in regard to buying Snow Removal equipment and how much money they will raise for same.

Art. 31. To see what sum the town will raise for snow removal for the year 1944-45 and by what method snow shall be removed.—$2,000.00.

Art. 32. To see what sum the town will raise to care for old cemeteries and for flags as required, for all town cemeeries.—$35.00.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the town will raise for rental, fuel and office supplies.—$300.00.

Art. 34. To see what sum the town will raise for Interest of Loans.

Art. 35. To see what sum the town will raise for support of common schools for the coming year.—$3,000.00.

Art. 36. To see what sum the town will raise for textbooks and supplies.—$50.00.

Art. 37. To see what sum the town will raise for secondary tuition.—$300.00.

Art. 38. To see what sum the town will raise for the salary of of school superintendent.—$175.00.

Art. 39. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $100.00 for additional fire equipment.—$100.00.

Art. 40. To see if the town will raise the sum of $750.00 to pay on the F. G. Kailie note.—$750.00.

Art. 41. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $150.00 to maintain Special Resolve Road.—$150.00.

Art. 42. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $200.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in the control of the White Pine Blister Rust in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 11, Sections 62-63-64.

Art. 43. To see whether or not the town will vote to raise and and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resourses, advantages and attractions of the of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 82, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Art. 44. To see how much the town will vote to raise for Bonds for the Collector and Treasurer.—$25.00.

Art. 45. To see if the town will vote to raise $150.00 to erect a Plaque for the boys in the service.—$150.00

Art. 46. To see what action the town will take in regard maintaining the Ghent School.

Art. 47. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans not exceeding a total of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00) and to execute and deliver in the name of the town its note or notes therefore, said loan or loans to be paid during the municipal year out of the money raised by taxes during current year.

Art. 48. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to renew or transfer the existing $1,500.00 loan as may be most expedient in their judgment.

Art. 49. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 50. To appoint a Budget Committee of twelve (12) or more representative citizens of the Town of Searsmont to meet with the Town Officials and make up our Annual Budget.

Art. 51. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen will be in session at Dirigo Hall at nine o'clock, Eastern War Time, in the forenoon on the Thirteenth day of March, A. D. 1944 for correcting the Town Voting Lists.

Given under our hand, this Sixth day of March A. D., 1944.

A true copy attest:

Constable of Searsmont.

WYMAN G. DRINKWATER,
CLARENCE E. GELO,
FRED A. ELMES,
Selectmen of Searsmont.

ANNUAL REPORT

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Municipal Officers

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TOWN OF

Searsmont

FOR THE YEAR

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Town of Searsmont, Maine

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
WYMAN G. DRINKWATER ERNEST O. SPROWL
LAWRENCE ROBBINS
Compensation—Town Wage Rate

Treasurer
Harriet E. Knight
Compensation,$75 per annum

Tax Collector and Constable
Ira J. Packard—2¼ per cent

Moderator
Harold Nutter
Compensation, Town Wage Rate Each Meeting

Town Clerk
Alleine W. Adams
Compensation, $25 and Fees

Road Commissioners
Frederick Cross Frank Jackson Frank B. Fuller
Compensation, Town Wage Rate

School Committee
Shirley A. Lewis Hiram R. Davis Ethel Higgins
Compensation, $20.00 per year each

School Superintendent
Merle S. Jones, for five-town district
Searsmont's salary contribution, $175.00

Fire Warden and Inspector
R. B. Knight, Compensation, Town Wage Rate

Health Officer
Ethel Higgins, Compensation, Town Wage Rate

Sealer of Weights and Measures
A. W. Adams

Constable
Ira J. Packard
Russell B. Knight

Honor Roll

Searsmont Boys in the Armed Forces

World War II *to date*

Ralph Boyington
Arthur W. Butler
Ralph W. Butler
Charles E. Butler
Granville G. Byers
Norman F. Cunningham
Elmer L. Cunningham
Ernest A. Cushman
Merrill L. Cushman
Isaiah D. Davis
Clarence W. Drinkwater
Milan A. Fuller
George Fuller
Manley G. Fuller
Linwood P. Fuller
Maynard E. Fuller
Robert W. Hall
Elwood Hayes
C. Drummond Hemenway
Lawrence J. Higgins
Edgar E. Holmes*
Howard W. Holmes
Richard P. Higgins
Viljo Hill
F. Adelbert Higgins
Miller C. Howard
Roland L. Jackson
Bernard L. Jackson
Alexander C. Keene, Jr.
Donald O. Lucas, Jr.*
Frederick N. Lucas
Philip J. Maddocks
Elden B. Maddocks, Jr.
C. Kenneth Marriner
Harry S. Marriner
Maurice Morang
Alfred Merriam
Clayton D. Poland
Lloyd B. Ratten
Richard S. Ratten
Norman L. Ripley
Gilbert L. Ripley*
Curtis H. Rogers
Stanley E. Roberts
Roscoe T. Ryan
Alton E. Sweet
E. Clifford Tenney
Ernest M. Tenney
Lindley A. Warner
Robert E. Warner
Dennis R. Wentworth
Joseph B. Wentworth
Richard A. Wentworth
Fred Zachowski

**Died in Service*

State of Maine

STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

Augusta

February 20, 1945

To the Citizens of the Town of Searsmont:

We have an application from your town officials for an audit of their accounts, but due to previous commitments, it is impossible for us to make this audit before town meeting.

Very truly yours,
STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT
MORRIS W. BRAGDON,
Municipal Auditor

STATEMENT BY SELECTMEN

We have on file a complete report of the audit made by the State Department of Audit for the year ending February 4, 1944. Due to the fact that printing this entire report would cause repetition of some parts of our printed report for last year, we are only including in this report the schedule submitted by the State which did not appear before.

State of Maine

STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

AUGUSTA

May 8, 1944

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Searsmont:

In accordance with the request of your municipal officers, this department, represented by C. G. Hawes and W. E. Burgess, Jr., has completed an examination of the accounts of your town officials for the municipal year ended February 4, 1944.

In our opinion, based upon such examination, the accompanying exhibits and schedules fairly present the financial condition of your municipality as of that date, and summarize its fiscal transactions during the municipal year then ended.

Respectfully submitted,

STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

Harold E. Crawford,

Municipal Auditor

COMMENTS

Cash

All receipts as recorded were found to have been properly accounted for and the cash for same deposited in the bank currently, as summarized on Exhibit B.

Expenditures were made by check from warrants drawn by the Selectmen, as summarized on Exhibits B and D.

The cash balance reconciled with the bank statement at the close of the municipal year as per detail shown on Schedule 1.

Taxes—Property and Poll

The 1943 tax commitment was added and found to agree with the records of the Assessors. The total commitment was accounted for by cash, abatements and discounts or was still unpaid as summarized on Schedule 2.

According to the records, payments received and abatements made during the year on prior years' unpaid taxes were credited against the proper items. Two overpayments made by the collector were discovered in the 1942 tax account. The unpaid prior years' taxes are also summarized on Schedule 2, with the supporting detail for all years being shown on Schedule 2-a.

All recorded receipts during the year on tax liens were found to have been applied against the proper items. The uncollected liens on hand are summarized on Schedule 3, with supporting detail being shown on Schedule 3-a.

The cash collection of the current year's taxes was 85.8%; while all taxes collected during 1943, both current and prior, amounted to 104.3%, both as against the current commitment.

Excise Tax:

The excise taxes were checked from the copies of the receipts and the amounts specified had been deposited with the Treasurer as shown on Exhibit B. The receipts and disposition of same follows:

1943 Year—Receipts No. 17 to 168	$387.60
1944 Year—Receipts No. 1 to 20	52.80
Transferred to Net Surplus (Exhibit E)	$440.40

Notes Payable

Payment of $750 was made on the outstanding note from the appropriation made at town meeting.

Net Surplus

Reference to Exhibit A indicates that as of the close of the municipal year, there was a Net Surplus in the amount of $3,510.91 as compared with a Net Surplus of $2,825.33 shown a year previous. This represents a beneficial change of $685.58, analysis of which is shown on Exhibit E of this report.

General

The records of the Selectmen were found to be in very good condition. Our test check of paid invoices and payrolls indicated they were proper charges and correctly recorded.

The Withholding Tax records were examined and appeared to be in a satisfactory condition. Checks are drawn for each deduction and turned over periodically to the Collector of Internal Revenue. All checks not mailed at the time of closing the books are shown as outstanding.

The records of dog licenses issued by your Town Clerk showed collection in the amount of $96.80, which sum was paid the State Treasurer.

Unpaid bills amounting to approximately $2,000.00 were found in the Snow Removal Account but due to the fact that an appropriation of $2,000.00 has been made at 1944 town meeting to take care of these bills, they were not set up as accounts payable. (See footnote on Exhibit A).

With the exception of cash, no external verification was made of your asset and liability accounts.

EXHIBIT A

TOWN OF SEARSMONT

BALANCE SHEET—February 4, 1944

(compared with February 3, 1943)

Subsidiary Schedules		Feb. 4, 1944		Feb. 3, 1943	
	ASSETS				
	Cash:				
1	General	4,204.34		1,982.69	
	Impounded	24.57		24.57	
		4,228.91			
	Less—Reserve for Impounded	24.57			
			4,204.34		2,007.26
	Tax Accounts Uncollected:				
2	Taxes	2,051.89		2,531.68	
3	Tax Liens	1,128.19		1,802.72	
			3,180.08		4,334.40
	Accounts Receivable				269.48
	TOTAL ASSETS		7,384.42		6,611.14
	LIABILITIES				
	Accounts Payable—				
	Tax Collector		4.90		
4	Notes Payable		750.00		1,500.00
	Total Liabilities		754.90		1,500.00
	SURPLUS ACCOUNTS				
Ex. D	Departmental Balances Forward (net)	3,118.61		2,285.81	
Ex. E	Net Surplus	3,510.91		2,825.33	
			6,629.52		5,111.14
	Total Liabilities and Surplus Accounts		7,384.42		6,611.14

Unpaid snow bills of approximately $2,000.00 not included above as a special appropriation was made at the 1944 town meeting to take care of these bills. (See Comments)

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Real Estate, Resident	138.831.00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	73,482.00	
		212.313.00
Personal Estate, Resident	39,092.00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	1,085.00	
		40,177.00
Total Valuation of Real and Personal Estate		252,490.00

EXEMPT

Livestock and Poultry	4,598.00	
Exempt Polls 31 at 3.00	93.00	
		4,691.00

ASSESSMENTS

Polls 122 at 3.00	366.00	
Real and Personal Estate Valued at $252,490.00 at .068	17,169.82	
		17,535.82

SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENTS

Real Estate Valued 840.00 at .068	57.12	
Personal Estate 75.00	5.10	
8 polls at 3.00	24.00	
		86.22
Total Tax Assessed		17,622.04

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF OVERDRAFTS AND UNEXPENDED BALANCE

	Overdraft	Unexpended Balance
Abatements	210.94	
Town Officers Salaries	78.87	
Rental Fuel and Office Supplies	64.09	
Collectors Commission	17.57	
Road and Bridges	793.22	
Pond Road	.31	
Special Resolve Road	39.29	
Road Patrol	37.60	
Poor Relief	92.50	
Service Plaque	28.92	
Supplement Aid to O. A. A.	176.53	
Overlay		443.54
Excise Tax		453.42
Contingent		461.52
White Pine Blister		4.08
February 3 To Balance from Surplus		177.28
	1,539.84	1,539.84

TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT

Treasurer's Receipts	27,453.68	
Paid out on Warrants		24,229.50
February 3, Cash Balance		3,224.18
	27,453.68	27,453.68

APPROPRIATIONS

Voted at Town Meeting	14,158.50	
State Tax	2,136.09	
County Tax	883.91	
Overlay	357.32	
Supplementary Commitment	86.22	
May 9 Committment		17,535.82
Supplementary Commitment		86.22
	17,622.04	17,622.04

TOWN PROPERTY

Six Schoolhouses	4,650.00	
Road Machines	175.00	
Snow Fence	475.00	
Two Safes	50.00	
One-fifth Interest in Weights and measures	30.00	
One-half Interest in five gallon measure	7.00	
Adding Machine	50.00	
Fire truck and equipment	1,600.00	
Sander	20.00	
Typewriter	25.00	
Hand fire pumps	65.00	
		7,147.00

BANK RESERVE

City Nat'l Bank Reserve	24.57	
December 18, Received from the Trustees City Nat'l Bank Final Settlement		24.57
	24.57	24.57

OVERLAY

Overlay	357.32	
Supplement Assessment	86.22	
Carried to Summary		443.54
	443.54	443.54

STATE TAX

State Tax 1944		2,136.09
Dog License Refund	15.26	
R. R. & Tel. Tax	1.10	
State School Fund	1,721.32	
Treasurer of State	398.41	
	2,136.09	2,136.09

COUNTY TAX

County Tax 1944		883.91
Paid Aug. 26, County Treasurer	883.91	
	883.91	883.91

EXCISE TAX

Excise Tax		453.42
Carried to Summary	453.42	
	453.42	453.42

ABATEMENTS

By abatement voted at the Annual Town meeting that a 2 per cent discount on cash payments of

Taxes ending July 10, 1944	129.24	
Abatements for 1943	61.64	
Abatements for 1944	20.06	
Carried to Summary		210.94
	210.94	210.94

OUTSTANDING LOANS

Due Feb. 4, 1944 F. G. Kalile		750.00
Paid July 14, 1944	750.00	
	750.00	750.00

SNOW PLOW AND TRACTOR LOANS

The First Nat'l Bank, Belfast, November 28, 1944		3,000.00
Due The First Nat'l Bank February 3, 1945	3,000.00	
	3,000.00	3,000.00

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Due Tax Collector over payment of Taxes		4.90
September 1, Paid Ira J. Packard	4.90	
	4.90	4.90

INTEREST ON LOANS

Appropriations		75.00
Balance from 1943		66.38
July 14, Paid F. G. Kalile	37.50	
Feb. 3, Balance Unexpended to 1945	103.88	
	141.38	141.38

1941 TAX ACCOUNT

Ira J. Packard, Collector

1941 Tax Uncollected	8.13	
Collected and Credited		8.13
	8.13	8.13

1942 TAX ACCOUNT

Ira J. Packard, Collector

1942 Tax Uncollected	42.47	
Collected and Credited		42.47
	42.47	42.47

1943 TAX ACCOUNT

Ira J. Packard, Collector

1943 Tax Uncollected	2,001.29	
Tax Liens Credited		883.15
Collected and Credited		1,046.43
By Abatement		61.64
Feb. 3, Balance Uncollected to 1945		10.07
	2,001.29	2,001.29

1944 TAX ACCOUNT

1944 Commitment	17,535.82	
Supplemental Tax	86.22	
Collected and paid to Treasurer		15,416.44
By Abatements		149.30
Balance Uncollected to 1945		2,056.30
	17,622.04	17,622.04

Resident Unpaid Taxes

		Paid Since Books Closed
Aldus, Josephine L. One half 37.40	37.40	
Aldus, Walter	5.78	
Bryant, George M. Heirs of	63.43	63.43
Butler, Clinton A.	36.46	
15.80 Corson, Rosie M.	21.84	
Choate, Arland	3.00	
Dyer, Lou D.	34.00	
Fuller, Clarence H.	53.25	
20.11 Harriman, Hilda A.	21.08	
Harriman, Lawrence S.	3.00 Paid	
Heald, Augustus F.	422.55	
91.60 Heald, Harold C.	82.28	
Hemenway, Benjamin	13.88	13.88
Lucas, Don C.	145.52	
MacKenzie, Bertrand	52.70	
MacKenzie, Charles Elinor	91.19	
Mehuren, Carrie E.	23.80	23.80
Morang, Maurice	3.68	3.68
Robinson, Lewis L.	13.54	10.54
Richards, Cora M.	13.60	
Shepard, Alfred P.	80.90	68.34
95.20 Drummond, Bertrand A.	125.46	
Sweetland, Judson C.	24.14	24.14

Victor, Grange P. of H.	20.40	
Wentworth, Bertha E.	27.20	
Wood, Byron A.	80.18	80.18

Non-Resident Unpaid Taxes

Barlow, Lenora	8.50	8.50
Cooper, Frank W.	40.46	
Dodge, Ira C.	200.00	
Farington, Stuart M.	45.90	
Higgins, Daniel, Heirs of	13.60	
Hooper, Earl	6.80	6.80
Longley, Mahlon	28.30	12.50
Martin, Charles	27.20	
Martens, George F. Jr.	69.70	
Mollison, Allen	34.00	
Pearce, Crosby, Heirs of	27.20	
Pearpoint, Arthur	37.40	
Wentworth, Fred Lester	17.00	17.00

TAX LIENS 1933

Tax Liens 1933	5.70	
Sold and Credited		2.73
Balance Uncollected to 1945		2.97
	5.70	5.70

TAX LIENS 1934

Tax Liens 1934	53.35	
Sold and Credited		38.60
Balance Uncollected to 1945		14.75
	53.35	53.35

TAX LIENS 1935

Tax Liens 1935	84.75	
Sold and Credited		39.30
Balance Uncollected to 1945		45.45
	84.75	84.75

TAX LIENS 1936

Tax Liens 1936	11.70	
Balance Uncollected to 1945		11.70
	11.70	11.70

TAX LIENS 1937

Tax Liens 1937	65.74	
Sold and Credited		49.40
Balance Uncollected to 1945		16.34
	65.74	65.74

TAX LIENS 1938

Tax Liens 1938	84.98	
Sold and Credited		31.18
Balance Uncollected to 1945		53.80
	84.98	84.98

TAX LIENS 1939

Tax Liens 1939	85.08	
Sold and Credited		21.85
Balance Uncollected to 1945		63.23
	85.08	85.08

TAX LIENS 1940

Tax Liens 1940	176.45	
Sold and Credited		84.77
Balance Uncollected to 1945		91.68
	176.45	176.45

TAX LIENS 1941

Tax Liens 1941	177.15	
Sold and Credited		90.63
Balance Uncollected to 1945		86.52
	177.15	177.15

TAX LIENS 1942

Tax Liens 1942	383.29	
Sold and Credited		259.55
Balance Uncollected to 1945		123.74
	383.29	383.29

TAX LIENS 1943

Tax Liens 1943	922.15	
Sold and Credited		644.07
Balance Uncollected		278.08
	922.15	922.15

TAX LIENS FOR 1933

This Property for Sale

J. Fred Marden	2.97	2.97

TAX LIENS FOR 1934

For Sale

Ida I. Cobb	14.75	
		14.75

TAX LIENS FOR 1935

For Sale

George Butler	6.90	
Levi Campbell	4.20	
Ida Cobb	15.00	
Arthur S. Fuller	12.30	
Ida Gilman	2.85	
Irving Rankin	4.20	
		45.45

TAX LIENS FOR 1936

For Sale

George Butler	7.30	
Levi Campbell	4.40	
		11.70

TAX LIENS FOR 1937

For Sale

Fred Lucas Heirs	9.04	
George Butler	7.30	
		16.34

TAX LIENS FOR 1938

For Sale

Abbie M. Bryant Heirs	42.10	
Abbie M. Bryant Heirs	4.40	
Alvin Scott Gray	7.30	
		53.80

TAX LIENS FOR 1939

For Sale

Abbie M. Bryant Heirs	4.40	
Abbie M. Bryant Heirs	7.30	
Donahue and Payson	24.70	
Fidelphus Flagg, Heirs	2.95	
Alvin Scott Gray	4.98	
Flora E. Hunt	18.90	
		63.23

TAX LIENS FOR 1940

For Sale

Flora Hunt	20.70	
Ralph Bryant	3.10	
Edgar T. Bradbury	24.54	
Donahue and Payson	27.10	
Fidelphus Flagg Heirs	3.10	
Alvin Scott Gray	5.34	
Obed Fuller Heirs	4.70	
Obed Fuller Heirs	3.10	
		91.68

TAX LIENS FOR 1941

For Sale

Ralph Bryant	3.13	
Frank Cooper Lot 8	1.83	
Frank Cooper Lot 9	1.56	
Frank Cooper Lot 10	1.83	
Frank Cooper Lot 11	1.56	
Elmore Milling Co.	27.50	
George M. Fuller Heirs	1.83	
Daniel Higgins Heirs	14.50	
Almond J. Wright	24.90	
Obed Fuller	4.75	
Obed Fuller	3.13	
		86.52

TAX LIENS FOR 1942

For Sale

Alfred Shepard	58.85	
Alfred Shepard	3.36	
Alfred Shepard	7.70	
Eugene Tenney	14.30	
George M. Fuller Heirs	1.81	
Daniel Higgins Heirs	13.90	
Almond J. Wright	23.82	
		123.74

TAX LIENS FOR 1943

Bertrand A. Drummond	86.90
Hilda Harriman	10.49
Eugene S. Tenney	19.80
Alfred Shepard	57.89

Daniel Higgins Heirs	13.70	
George F. Martin Jr.	1.50	
Louise A. MacKenzie Lot 1	33.34	
Louise A. MacKenzie Lot 2	40.54	
Louise A. MacKenzie Lot 3	10.96	
Louise A. MacKenzie Lot 4	2.96	
		278.08

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Appropriation		750.00
Refund		
Distributions:		
Clarence Gelo, Second Selectman	52.25	
Harold Nutter, Moderator	4.00	
Fred A. Elmes, Third Selectman	27.61	
Ethel Higgins, Health Officer	29.00	
Ira J. Packard, Constable	8.00	
W. G. Drinkwater, First Selectman	319.68	
State Dept. of Audit	59.63	
Internal Revenue Collector	12.00	
Don E. Lucas, Ballot Clerk	20.46	
Merrick Bryant, Ballot Clerk	20.46	
John Levenseller, Ballot Clerk	13.46	
Leslie A. Wentworth, Ballot Clerk	6.82	
Hiram Davis, School Comm.	20.00	
Harriet Knight, Town Treasurer	75.00	
Shirley Lewis, School Committee	20.00	
A. W. Adams, Town Clerk	25.00	
E. O. Sprowl, Second Selectman	64.48	
Lawrence Robbins, Third Selectman	50.84	
Overdraft to Summary		78.87
	828.87	828.87

COLLECTOR COMMISSION

Appropriation		300.00
Balance from 1943		75.92
Distribution:		
Ira J. Packard, Collector of Taxes	393.49	
Overdraft to Summary		17.57
	393.49	393.49

RENTAL, FUEL AND OFFICE SUPPLIES

Appropriation		300.00
Distributions:		
W. G. Drinkwater	1.78	
Liberty & Belfast Tel. & Tel.	29.10	
Ira J. Packard	26.52	
Ernest Ratten	3.00	
Mark's Printing House	23.54	
Ethel Higgins	1.80	
Loring, Short & Harmon	27.25	
City Job Print, Town Reports	179.20	
Hutchins Brothers	1.65	
Harriet Knight	6.16	
Searsmont Building Co.	20.00	
R. B. Knight	2.72	
Frederick Cross	.34	
A. W. Adams	7.67	
E. O. Sprowl	32.76	
Lawrence Robbins	.60	
Overdraft to Summary		64.09
	364.09	364.09

CONTINGENT

No Appropriation		
Balance from 1943		222.92
Judson Sweetland		25.00
Howard Holmes		33.83
Lewis Robinson		10.00
State Treas. Bank Stock Tax		31.29
Don E. Lucas		233.04
Helen Morrow		68.00
Samuel A. Margolis		15.15
Arland Choat		16.00
Harold Heal		6.45
Dog License Refund		15.26
R. R. and Tel. Tax		1.10
Distribution:		
Alice Gelo, typing reports	12.37	
Maine Municipal Association	30.00	
Field & Quimby, Insurance	7.00	
Ira J. Packard, Reg. Tax Liens	22.50	
Carrie Howes, Reg. of Deeds	8.50	
Caldwell, Sweet & Co., Health	1.90	
The First Nat'l Bank	3.50	
Dr. I. J. Tuttle, Health	5.00	
Clarence Gelo, Trans.	3.00	
Harold Cobb, Office Help	4.34	
Perley C. Allen, Insurance	34.50	
W. G. Drinkwater	7.82	
R. B. Knight	2.70	
A. W. Adams	15.70	
E. O. Sprowl, Tractor Parts and Tools	43.79	
Lawrence Robbins, Trans.	13.90	
Balance to Summary	461.52	
	678.04	678.04

ROAD AND BRIDGE ACCOUNT

Appropriation		2,500.00
Balance from 1943		524.73
Distributions:		
Frank Fuller, Commissioner	267.20	
Freeman Wooster	9.92	
Howard Clark	128.31	
Boyd Whiting	9.92	
Raymond Harriman	11.76	
Jepthah Buck	41.00	
Alton Hammond	63.61	
Colby Howard	55.84	
Nathan Pease	70.38	
Merrick Bryant	32.06	
Richard Lewis	49.13	
Howard Clark	19.56	
Ted Tenney	27.20	
Irvin Jackson	12.40	
Earl Ludwic	11.76	
Albert Pease	41.14	
Elden Maddocks	4.96	
Jepthah Buck	29.38	
Blynn Hogan	2.48	
State Treas. (Shovel)	165.00	
Albert Hammond	4.96	
Mrs. Chas. Vanner (gravel)	110.40	
Sprowl & Robbins (gravel)	29.70	
C. E. Gelo	.90	
J. A. Robbins & Son, plank	180.78	
R. B. Knight	3.57	
Alton French	5.58	
	1,388.90	

Frank Jackson, Commissioner	277.06
Don E. Lucas	1.10
Geo. Gove	1.86
Elden Maddocks	65.27
James Bartlett	16.16
Geo. Hook	43.29
Ronald Byers	6.82
Walter Poland	6.20
C. E. Gelo	8.70
Burton Paul	.30
Clarence Fuller	36.50
J. S. Bryant	8.06
Cooper & Co.	50.00
J. A. Robbins & Son	64.80
Richard Merriam	44.24
Ben Parsons	35.05
William Emmonds	1.80
R. B. Knight	.35
Hale Sparrow	55.60
Fred Little	19.84
Frank Fuller	29.32
Sprowl Bros.	14.96
	787.28

Frederick Cross, Commissioner	322.42
Treas. of State	164.50
Ted Tenney	27.20
Jepthah Buck	155.02
Alton Hammond	80.76
Walter Cobb	46.81
Colby Howard	35.19
Chas. MacKenzie	40.68
Boyd Whiting	46.88
Fred Little	26.71
James Bartlett	39.20

Irvin Jackson	19.60	
Albert & M. R. Marriner	9.92	
C. E. Gelo	132.44	
Frank Fuller	64.71	
Hale Sparrow	54.40	
Merrill Butler	20.53	
Fred Elmes	2.48	
Albert Marriner	8.68	
Clarence Heal	2.10	
R. B. Knight	.35	
Viljo Hill	18.25	
Maynard Marriner	41.04	
E. L. Griffeth	98.71	
C. A. Butler	5.58	
Chester Butler	13.02	
Dalton Heal	1.00	
State Sand & Gravel	142.50	
	1,620.68	
Internal Revenue:		
Internal Revenue Collector	21.09	
Overdraft to Summary		793.22
Grand Total	3,817.95	3,817.95

STATE AID ROAD

Appropriation		799.50
Feb. 3 Balance to 1945	799.50	
	799.50	799.50

THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		631.00
Balance from 1943		339.11
Distribution:		
C. E. Gelo	376.57	
Alton Hammond	66.92	
Willard Hammond	126.11	
Sidney Harriman	12.40	
Raymond Gelo	29.76	
State Highway Comm.	29.75	
State Sand & Gravel Co.	7.20	
Maynard Marriner	4.34	
Ronald Byers	4.96	
Robert Byers	2.48	
Byron Carr	27.18	
Internal Revenue Collector	2.48	
	690.15	
Balance to 1945	279.96	
	970.11	970.11

CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriation		300.00
Balance from 1943		317.70
Distribution:		
Benjamin Parsons	43.92	
W. G. Drinkwater	3.41	
Internal Revenue Collector	1.34	

Fred H. Little	26.66	
Charles MacKenzie	4.96	
Charles Corson	5.27	
	85.56	
Balance to 1945	532.14	
	617.70	617.70

SPECIAL RESOLVE MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		150.00
Distributions:		
Clarence Gelo	117.85	
Willard Hammond	46.33	
Raymond Gelo	.93	
Internal Revenue Collector	.66	
Alton Hammond	23.52	
	189.29	
Overdraft to Summary		39.29
	189.29	189.29

ROAD PATROL

Appropriation		500.00
Treasurer of State	537.60	
Overdraft to Summary		37.60
	537.60	537.60

POND ROAD

No Appropriation		
Balance from 1943		10.53
Distributions:		
F. A. Dunton	4.96	
Frank Fuller	5.88	
	10.84	
Overdraft to Summary		.31
	10.84	10.84

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		138.00
Central Maine Power Co.	138.00	
	138.00	138,00

WHITE PINE BLISTER

Appropriation		200.00
Forest R. Brown	128.83	
Lewis L. Robinson, Jr.	24.10	
Vaughn Davis	4.96	
Lawrence S. Colby	22.91	
Internal Revenue Collector	15.12	
Balance to Summary	4.08	
	200.00	200.00

SNOW EQUIPMENT & TRACTOR PLOW

Bank Loan of The First National Bank, Belfast		3,000.00
Grevis Payson	3,000.00	
	3,000.00	3,000.00

SERVICE PLAQUE

Appropriation		150.00
Horace Ripley	12.40	
Richard Lewis	22.32	
Treasurer of State	100.00	
W. G. Drinkwater	3.72	
E. O. Sprowl	40.48	
Overdraft to Summary		28.92
	178.92	178.92

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		2,000.00
Town of Searsmont—Sander		3.06
Town of Searsmont—Sander		13.31
State Credit Plowing Black Road		134.00
State Treasurer		1,318.97
Distributions:		
Cost of plowing Black Road	134.00	
Maurice Morang	33.96	
Fred Kendall	16.18	
Clarence Gelo	179.25	
Miller Howard	16.64	
Raymond Harriman	327.02	
Harry Marriner	10.72	
Benjamin Parsons	4.95	
Hale Sparrow	289.22	
Harold Wing	28.04	
Harry Thompson	45.74	
Frank Fuller	1,465.19	
Warren Hart	41.29	
James Bartlett	26.61	
Ben Hemenway	66.57	

Howard Clark	192.05
Frederick Lucas	13.70
C. A. Choat	8.25
Town of Searsmont Sander	26.44
Hiram Davis	1.92
Willard Hammond	7.42
Ben Cunningham	2.47
Clinton Butler	1.65
Elden Maddocks	18.87
Colby Howard	25.02
Harold Wing	4.40
Bert Buzzell	23.62
Fred Elmes	22.79
Harold Heal	15.40
Donald Howard	6.87
Roy Thomas	4.13
Obed Hart	5.33
Alexander Keene, Jr.	9.62
Judson Sweetland	.55
Linwood Fuller	11.55
Edgar Marriner	5.50
Lewis Fuller	4.40
Willis Gerrish, Jr.	4.40
Merrick Bryant	13.20
George Hook	4.40
Frank Jackson	57.57
Internal Revenue Collector	7.96
Clarence Fuller	1.65
Don Lucas	4.95
Frederick R. Cross	38.42
Richard Lewis	7.44
Clark Wilcox Co.	38.25
Edward B. Knight	41.00
Stephen Shaw	3.72
Willis Gerrish	115.00
Town Tractor	378.45

E. O. Sprowl	32.90	
Roland Fuller	21.12	
Richard Merriam	1.24	
Sprowl Brothers	125.70	
Lawrence Cushman	13.02	
Sam Payson	12.40	
Overdraft to 1945		550.78
	4,020.12	4,020.12

Note: On the preceding account, the amount of $1,359.49 has been spent for 1944-45 snow removal; the remainder $2,660.63 having been spent in 1943-44.

POOR RELIEF

Appropriation		200.00
Robert Jamieson Account:		
F. C. Small, M. D.	10.00	
	10.00	
Herbert Hayes Account:		
Chas. R. Coombs	100.00	
Horace Ripley	6.00	
	106.00	
Cora Richards Account:		
R. B. Knight	16.05	
R. B. Knight	16.30	
R. B. Knight	16.03	
R. B. Knight	16.00	
R. B. Knight	16.01	
R. B. Knight	16.06	
R. B. Knight	16.04	
R. B. Knight	15.97	
R. B. Knight	16.00	

R. B. Knight	16.00	
R. B. Knight	16.04	
	176.50	
Overdraft to Summary		92.50
	292.50	292.50

SUPPLEMENT TO OLD AGE AND BLIND ASSISTANCE

Appropriation		400.00
P. A. Wentworth		18.39
Viola E. Cushman		114.30
Account No. 1:		
Abbie Greer	440.13	
Account No. 2:		
G. O. Hart	7.31	
B. E. Larrabee	7.00	
	14.31	
Account No. 3:		
Geo. Clements	42.00	
City Drug Store	9.58	
Geo. Clements	22.00	
Seth H. Read, M. D.	6.00	
Dr. I. J. Tuttle	10.50	
Geo. Clements	22.00	
Abbie Greer	44.24	
City Drug Store	11.31	

Geo. Clements	62.00	
City Drug Store	3.15	
Geo. Clements	22.00	
	254.78	
Overdraft to Summary		176.53
	709.22	709.22

BONDS FOR TREASURER & TAX COLLECTOR

Appropriation		25.00
Field & Quimby	22.50	
Balance to 1945	2.50	
	25.00	25.00

FIRE EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		100.00
R. B. Knight	29.18	
Harriet Knight	12.00	
Balance to 1945	58.82	
	100.00	100.00

MOTHER'S AID

Appropriation		175.00
Balance from 1943		4.83
Ethel Thompson Account:		
State Treasurer	174.00	
Balance to 1945	5.83	
	179.83	179.83

STATE POOR RELIEF

State Treasurer		85.78
Loring Parker Account:		
E. S. Hook	20.78	
Chas. Corson Account:		
F. C. Small	65.00	
	85.78	85.78

VETERAN'S AID

Appropriation		100.00
Balance from 1943		212.76
Balance to 1945	312.76	
	213.76	312.76

PUBLIC HEALTH WORK

Appropriation		55.00
State Treasurer	55.00	
	55.00	55.00

COMMON SCHOOLS

Appropriation	3,000.00
Balance from 1943	612.56
The Clark Agency	3.23
State School Credit	1,192.25

Village School Teachers:	
Margie Grant	380.80
Anne Avery	321.00
Louise Robbins	44.80
Lillis Goodwin	522.20
Glennys Gibson	354.40
Lavicy Littlefield	125.30
	1,748.50
North:	
Edna Newell	690.62
	2,439.12
Transportation:	
M. E. Cushman	1,173.00
Irvin Jackson	40.00
	1,213.00
Fuel:	
Frank Jackson	4.00
John Bean	42.00
Richard Banks	10.00
Vaughn Davis	1.20
E. C. Howard	8.00
Richard Banks	75.00
Sprowl Bros.	28.75
Willis Gerrish	9.50
Kenneth Plaisted	233.00
Bert Berry	5.00
Rodger Jackson	2.40
	418.85

Janitor:		
M. E. Cushman	185.00	
Rodger Jackson	7.50	
Maud Brown	15.00	
Horace Ripley	5.00	
Vaughn Davis	21.00	
	233.50	
Lights:		
Central Maine Power Co.	24.38	
Internal Revenue Collector:		
Internal Revenue Collector;	233.10	
Tuition to Montville	105.00	
Teachers' Retirement Fund	40.00	
School Bus Insurance	33.03	
Lodging for Bible Teacher:		
Mrs. Ethel Higgins	1.25	
Tuition to U. of M.		
Maybelle Meservey	3.00	
Frances Newton	3.00	
Balance to 1945	60.81	
	4,808.04	4,808.04

SECONDARY TUITION

Appropriation		300.00
Balance from 1943		253.03
State School Credit		529.07
Town of Appleton	89.00	
Town of Liberty	524.00	
City of Belfast	404.00	
Balance to 1945	65.10	
	1,082.10	1,082.10

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Appropriation		175.00
Albert F. Barnes	79.98	
Merle S. Jones	93.31	
Balance to 1945	1.71	
	175.00	175.00

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Appropriation		50.00
Balance from 1943		250.81
Ethel Higgins	.30	
Webster Publishing Co.	10.37	
American Education Press	4.50	
Charles Scribners Sons	5.02	
Ginn & Co.	54.32	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	61.48	
Silver Burdett	28.55	
Arlo Publishing Co.	2.58	
Chester Richardson	10.00	
Florence Allen	3.00	
Loring, Short & Harmon	4.50	
The MacMillan Co.	4.97	
J. L. Hammett Co.	9.55	
L. W. Singer Co.	2.29	
D. C. Heath & Co.	4.26	
American Book Co.	32.46	
M. E. Cushman	7.88	
Russell Knight	11.14	
Everett Hook	2.00	
Total for Books and Supplies	259.17	
Balance to 1945	41.64	
	300.81	300.81

SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS & INSURANCE

Appropriation		——
Balance from 1943		210.43
Field & Quimby Ins. Co. (Union Schoolhouse)	15.00	
Walter E. Aldus (Village Schoolhouse)	8.11	
Balance to 1945	187.32	
	210.43	210.43

OLD CEMETERIES AND FLAGS

Appropriation		35.00
Balance from 1943		16.90
F. D. Jones & Sons	18.00	
W. G. Drinkwater	3.48	
Balance to 1945	30.42	
	51.90	51.90

RESOURCES

Due from the Town of Appleton	120.00	
Estimate of Reimbursement from State on Snow Removal	1,356.62	
Due from Tax Collector		
1943 Tax	10.07	
1944 Tax	2,056.30	
Town Property	510.18	
1943 Tax Liens	278.08	
Cash on hand Feb. 3, 1945	3,224.18	
		7,555.43

LIABILITIES

The First National Bank Loan	3,000.00	
Snow Removal	1,604.88	
Road and Bridges	92.20	
Service Plague	16.72	
Supplement to Old Age Assistance	3.00	
Searsmont Fire Department	85.00	
		4,801.80
Assets more than Liabilities		2,743.63

OAK GROVE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TRUST FUND

Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	1,700.00	
Interest, May 1, 1944	8.50	
Interest, Nov. 1, 1944	8.54	
Deposit of the 5th Dividend fron the City Nat'l Bank	103.23	
	1,820.27	
Bal. in the First National Bank, Feb. 19, 1945		1,820.27

OAK GROVE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION WORKING FUND

Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	49.69	
Interest, May 1, 1944	.22	
Interest., Nov. 1, 1944	.29	
Deposit of 5th Dividend from City National Bank	18.82	
June 29, Received from Sale of Lots to Frank A. Dunton	20.00	
	89.02	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First Nat'l Bank		24.35
April 26, 1944, Withdrawn by Sprowl Bros.		4.18
Nov. 24, 1944, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		26.44
Jan. 4, 1945, Horace Ripley		24.80
Jan. 31, 1945, Wyman Drinkwater		9.25
		89.02

OAK GROVE CEMETERY FUND

Deborah Lincoln Fund:

Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	55.36	
Interest	.54	
Deposit of 5th Dividend from City National Bank	3.03	
	58.93	
Fe.b 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		58.93

Lucy Ella Clark Fund:

Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	3.56	
Income	2.52	
U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	
	106.08	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		4.12
Withdrawn, Nov. 24, 1944 by H. P. Cobb		1.96
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
		106.08

Sumner Pattee Fund:

Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	50.69	
Income	.50	
Deposit of 5th Dividend from City National Bank	3.03	
	54.22	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		54.22

Albert T. Toothaker Fund:

Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	50.83	
Income	.50	
Deposit of 5th Dividend from City National Bank	3.03	
	54.36	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		53.48
Nov. 24, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		.88
		54.36

Albert L. McCorrison Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	5.39	
Income	2.54	
Deposit 5th Dividend from City National Bank	6.12	
U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	
	114.05	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		12.34
Nov. 24, 1944, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		1.71
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
		114.05
George Dyer Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	25.00	
Income	5.25	
U. S. Savings Bond	200.00	
	230.25	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		28.65
Withdrawn Nov. 24, 1944, by H. P. Cobb		1.60
U. S. Savings Bonds		200.00
		230.25
Hartwell Woodcock Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	12.27	
Income	5.62	
U. S. Savings Bonds	200.00	
	217.39	
Feb. 19, 1945, bal. in First National Bank		15.12
Nov. 24, 1944, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		2.27
U. S. Savings Bonds		200.00
		217.39
Obed B. Fuller Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	25.73	
Income	2.75	
U.S. Savings Bonds	100.00	
	128.48	

Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		27.24
Nov. 24, 1944, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		1.24
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
		128.48
May L. Brown Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	3.14	
Income	2.52	
U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	
	105.66	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		4.42
Nov. 24, 1944, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		1.24
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
		105.66
Charles Ripley Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944 Bal. in First National Bank	5.36	
Income	2.54	
U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	
	107.90	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		6.81
Nov. 24, 1944, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		1.09
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
		107.90
Judson L. Warren Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	50.00	
Income	.50	
	50.50	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		50.50
Zetham Berry Lot:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	4.24	
Income	2.54	
U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	
	106.78	

Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		6.00
Nov. 24, 1944, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		.78
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
		106.78

PINE GROVE CEMETERY FUNDS

Jeremiah Bean Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	47.92	
Income	.47	
Deposit 5th Dividend from City National Bank	3.09	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank	51.48	
Charles C. Skinner Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	6.02	
Income	2.56	
Deposit 5th Dividend from City National Bank	6.33	
U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	
	114.91	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank		14.91
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
		114.91
D. Webster Moody Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	47.73	
Income	.46	
Deposit 5th Dividend from City National Bank	3.05	
	51.24	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank		51.24
Hattie R. Erskine Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	95.88	
Income	.95	
Deposit 5th Dividend from City National Bank	6.28	
	103.11	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank		103.11

Green Carter Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. in First National Bank	50.71	
Income	.50	
	51.21	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		51.21
Olive Randall Fund:		
May 1, 1942, Bal. in First National Bank	667.50	
Nov. 1, Interest	3.33	
	670.83	
Dec. 12, 1942 Bal. First National Bank		664.18
Paid to Treasurer, Pine Grove Cemetery Assn.		6.65
Dec. 12, 1942, Bal in First National Bank		670.83
Dec. 12, 1942, Bal. in First National Bank	664.18	
May 30, 1943, Balance		64.18
May 30, 1943, Purchased U. S. Savings Bond, Series G		600.00
		664.18
May 30, 1943, Bal. in First National Bank	64.18	
Income, May 1, 1942—Nov. 1, 1944	23.91	
Payment on Certificate of Participation from The City National Bank	42.49	
U. S. Savings Bond	600.00	
	730.58	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. in First National Bank		130.58
U. S. Savings Bond		600.00
		730.58

EAST SEARSMONT CEMETERY FUNDS

William G. Mahoney Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	51.67	
Income	.50	
Deposit 5th Dividend from City National Bank	3.08	
	55.25	

Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank		53.25
Feb. 9, 1944, Withdrawn by Albert Marriner		2.00
		55.25
John and Caroline Wellman Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	8.94	
Income	2.58	
Deposit 5th Dividend from City National Bank	6.51	
U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	
	118.03	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank		16.03
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
Feb. 9, 1944, Withdrawn by Albert Marriner		2.00
		118.03
Alfretta Ingraham Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	6.50	
Income	2.56	
Deposit 5th Dividend City National Bank	6.08	
U. S. Savings Bond	110.00	
	115.14	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank		14.14
Feb. 9, 1944, Withdrawn by Albert Marriner		1.00
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
		115.14
Arad H. Mahoney Fund:		
Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	5.04	
Income	2.54	
Deposit 5th Dividend from City National Bank	6.30	
U. S. Savings Bond	100.00	
	113.88	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank		11.88
Feb. 9, 1944, Withdrawn by Albert Marriner		2.00
U. S. Savings Bond		100.00
		113.88

CHARLES RIPLEY TRUST FUNDS

$4,000 U. S. Treas. Bonds 2 3-4% due 1951-54 Interest	110.00
3,000 U. S. Treas. Bonds 2 3-4% due 1960-65 Interest	82.50

*See Note.

CHARLES RIPLEY POOR FUND

Feb. 4, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	553.28	
Deposit March 15, 1944 from Phillips Savings Bank	238.67	
May 1, 1944 Interest	2.96	
Nov. 1, 1944 Interest	3.97	
	798.88	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank		798.88

*Note:

Since the town books were closed, the treasury bonds in the Charles Ripley Trust Fund have been sold, and with the proceeds plus interest, $7,800 worth of U. S. Savings Bonds, Series G, have been purchased, detailed account of this transaction to appear in the Town Report for 1946.

INCOME ACCOUNT

Feb. 19, 1944, Bal. First National Bank	445.79	
May 1, 1944, Interest	2.06	
June 16, 1944, Deposit	96.25	
Nov. 1, 1944, Interest	2.49	
Dec. 18, 1944, Deposit	96.25	
Feb. 9, 1945, Deposit	22.14	
	664.98	
Feb. 19, 1945, Bal. First National Bank		644.98
Aug. 29, 1944, Withdrawn		20.00
		664.98

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand, Feb. 4, 1944	4,204.34	
Ira J. Packard, 1944 Tax	15,416.44	
Ira J. Packard, 1943 Tax	1,046.43	
Ira J. Packard, 1942 Tax	42.47	
Ira J. Packard, 1941 Tax	8.13	
Ira J. Packard, Excise Tax	453.42	
		21,171.23
The First National Bank Loan	3,000.00	
Trustees City National Bank (Final pay)	24.57	
		3,024.57
State Treasurer:		
Snow Removal 1943-44	1,318.97	
Health & Welfare Dept.	85.78	
Bank Stock Tax	31.29	
		1,436.04
Viola Cushman Reimbursement A. Neal Account	114.30	
P. A. Wentworth Reimbursement Everett Heal Account	18.39	
Clark Agency Refund School Bus Insurance	3.23	
Town of Searsmont, Sander	16.37	
		152.29

Town Property Sales

Leslie Wentworth—Lydia J. Heal Heirs Prop.	11.71	
Judson Sweetland—Part Payment	25.00	
Dalton Heal—Same	2.89	
Helen Morrow—John T. Morrow Heirs Prop.	268.90	
Howard Holmes—Same	70.66	
Lewis Robinson—Same	31.61	
Don Lucas—Fred Lucas Heirs Prop.	10.74	
Don Lucas—Nancy Furbush Heirs Property	353.04	
Samuel Margonis—Wm. Knowlton Property	17.88	
M. B. Hills—Lawrence Viets Prop.	7.31	
Arland Cheate—Percy Knowlton Property	24.80	
Harold Heal—C. A. & W. L. Heal Property	15.80	
Cecil E. Pert—Melvin Pert Heirs Property	49.05	
		889.39

Receipts of Tax Liens

Edrick Edgecomb—Same	10.65
James Pattee & Son—Isa M. Hamlin Property	19.80
Louise MacKenzie—Same	55.13
Ira Dodge—Same	201.50
James Burgess—Same	22.85
Wm. Hjulstrom—Same	20.10
Melvina Beveridge—Same	86.90
Chas. Knight—Lindley Knight Heirs	9.10
Donovan Bowley—Robt. Bowley Property	89.95

Geo. H. Martins Jr.—Same	22.45	
Margie Norris—Geo. Davis Heirs Property	41.15	
B. A. Drummond—Same	88.30	
Ella Wentworth—Same	7.35	
Arthur Fairbrother—Frank Hannon Property	19.46	
Ralph Nutter—Same	16.75	
Josephine Aldus—Same	35.60	
Hilda Harriman—Same	20.10	
Chas. & Elinor MacKenzie—Same	13.02	
		780.16
Total Receipts		27,453.68
Warrants Drawn		24,229.50
Balance on Hand Feb. 3, 1945		3,224.18

HARRIET E. KNIGHT

Treasurer

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

—Births—

1944

Jan. 18—In Belfast to Mr. and Mrs. James E. Bartlett, a daughter, Penelope Ann.

Jan. 18—In Belfast to Mr. and Mrs. James E. Bartlett, a son Penson Nelson.

Feb. 13—In Belfast to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. Ratten, a daughter Emily Christie.

Mar. 26—In Searsmont to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Nutter, a daughter, Ruby Mae.

June 7—In Union to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Cushman, a daughter, Dorothy Helen.

July 25—In Belfast to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert L. Ripley, a daughter, Cheryl Nellie

Aug. 14—In Searsmont to Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Wing, a son, Arnold Raymond.

Oct. 2—In Belfast to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jackson, a son, Bradley Carrol

Oct. 24—In Belfast to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Morang, a daughter, Judith Ann.

Oct. 30—In Searsmont to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander C. Keene, a son, Donald Woodrow.

Dec. 28—In Searsmont to Mr. and Mrs. Willis H. Gerrish, a daughter, Dorothy Clara.

—Marriages—

1944

Feb. 29—William D. H. MacKinnon of Boston, Mass. and Gertrude E. Lucas of Searsmont, Maine. Married at Searsmont by Rev. Mary S. Gibson.

Aug. 30—Frederick W. Lucas of Searsmont, Maine and Hazel L. Mehuren of Montville, Maine. Married at Searsmont by Rev. Harold W. Nutter.

—Deaths—

1944

Jan. 4—In Morrill, Maine, Herbert W. Hayes, 68 years, 10 mos., Burial in Searsmont.

Jan. 4—In Searsmont, William C. Creamer, 78 yrs., 9 mos. 13 days. Burial in Waldoboro.

Jan. 11—In Belmont, Maine, Fred H. Fowles, 69 yrs., 9 mos., 29 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Jan. 24—In Searsmont, Shirley Louise Gerrish, 5 mos., 13 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Feb. 19—In Bedford, Mass., Alanson C. Bryant, 72 yrs., 5 mos., 18 days. Burial in Wrentham, Mass.

Mar. 30—In Bangor, Maine, Sidney J. Kimball, 78 yrs., 9 mos., 13 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Apr. 12—In Newington, N. H. Von-Etta B. Collins, 71 yrs., 2 mos., 25 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Apr. 29—In Belmont, Maine, Edward R. Howard, 79 yrs., 7 mos., 8 days. Burial in Searsmont.

May 15—In Camden, Maine, Nellie J. Brown, 91 yrs., 3 mos., 19 days. Burial in Searsmont.

July 16—In Searsmont, Arthur T. Jackson, 81 yrs., 6 mos., 7 days. Burial in Montville, Maine

Aug. 15—In Searsmont, Henrietta S. Barlow, 82 yrs., 7 mos., 23 days. Burial in Knox, Maine.

Oct. 6—In Union, Maine, Lelia E. Jackson, 83 yrs., 3 mos., 23 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Nov. 4—In Montville, Maine, Adriel L. Pease, 75 yrs., 7 mos., 26 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Jan. 2—In Montville, Maine, Westbra B. Bowley, 79 yrs., 4 mos., 20 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Jan. 9—In Liberty, Maine, Charles S. Adams, 88 yrs., 1 mo., 19 days. Burial in Searsmont.

Jan. 13—In Montville, Maine, Clifford C. Randall, 55 yrs., 1 mo., 20 days. Burial in Searsmont.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Resources

Bal. on hand, Feb. 1, 1944		
Common Schools	612.56	
Secondary Tuition	253.03	
Textbooks and Supplies	250.81	
Raised by Town	3,350.00	
State School Fund	1,721.32	
Insurance Refund	3.23	
Total		6,190.95

Liabilities

Elementary Teachers	2,712.22	
Elementary Tuition	105.00	
Secondary Tuition:		
Appleton	89.00	
Belfast	404.00	
Liberty	524.00	
Janitor Service	233.50	
Conveyance	1,246.03	
Fuel	418.85	
Textbooks and Supplies	259.17	
Lights	24.38	
Board of Bible Teacher	1.25	
Tuition U. of M.	6.00	
Total		6,023.40
Bal. on hand, Feb. 1, 1945		167.55

REPAIR

Bal. Feb. 1, 1944	210.43	
Appropriation	None	
		210.43
Paid on Order		8.11
Bal. Feb. 1, 1945		202.32

PROPOSED BUDGET

Elementary Teachers	2,900.00	
Elementary Tuition	100.00	
Secondary Tuition	1,000.00	
Janitor Service	200.00	
Conveyance	1,200.00	
Fuel	300.00	
Textbooks and Supplies	300.00	
Total Need		6,000.00

SOURCES

State School Fund	1,700.00	
*To be raised by Town	4,300.00	
Total		6,000.00

*Repair, no appropriation needed

*To be raised or appropriated for post war construction $1,000.00

Hot Lunches:

This year we are again having an excellent hot lunch program. Nineteen schools in my union are serving about 500 hot lunches daily. To help in this program the government is paying about $20.00 daily. This is the fourth year the Liberty Farm Bureau has helped with the lunch program at the Walker Building. It is the fourth year the Community Club has helped in Appleton Village. And this year the Health Club in Searsmont has assisted with the program in Searsmont Village. In many smaller schools individuals and clubs have helped in no small degree.

All who have helped in this program deserve a lot of praise and I wish to express a personal thanks to each and every one.

Teacher Situation:

From a state wide survey, it was found that there was about a 16 per cent turnover of teachers in 1943-44 and also about the same turnover in 1944-45; thus in the state about one third of our teachers are new in their positions. In this school union 17 of the 30 teachers are new in their present positions. Some have taught in schools near by, but have changed to save conveyance to schools farther away.

We now have two teachers who have been issued permits, three have received sanctions—that is they may teach in a position as a substitute until a certified teacher may be obtained and an application has been made for a fourth sanction.

It is the opinion of many leaders that substantial pay increases would save our school system from disaster. Your governor has asked that $900.00 be made a minimum salary, but is far below the average and is about the lowest paid at the present time. Many organized groups in the state are asking that $1000.00 be made a minimum salary.

If we are to encourage those who will make superior or even good teachers to go to teacher training institutions, we must pay at least half the salary now paid to industrial workers. In 1938 the average salary of teachers in the country was $1375.00 and the average of industrial workers was $1250.00. In 1944 the average salary of teachers was $1625.00 while industrial workers wages had soared to $2500.00.

There are 11 states that pay less to educate their children than Maine, while there are 24 states less able to support education.

I wish we might reelect all of our teachers with none below $1000.00 before legislature acts on a bill to set a minimum.

Post War Planning

Many groups are organized and are being organized to plan for post war construction to avoid the possibility of millions unemployed and the reinstitution of bread lines after this war is over. Pressure groups are already getting funds appropriated for special post war projects. Highway groups not only have the gas tax, but want several millions of the states reserve, institutions want other millions set aside for their improvement, and education the most important should have its millions. Legislature will probably appropriate $2,000,000 which will be matched eventually with $4,000,000 from the United States Government to make an $8,000,000 building program with the contributions from towns and cities in the state.

Towns and groups of towns that are organized and ready will be the ones that will benefit not only in providing work for those returning, but also in improving roads and buildings. In my union of towns there are many miles of roads to be improved, and to make a good school system there should be one large central high

school owned and operated by several towns, a consolidated elementary school in Palermo, an elementary school in Washington, a building remodeled in Appleton, and possibly a new or remodeled building in Searsmont and Knox.

To accomplish any part of the above plan, each town should select a Post War Planning Committee to work independently and collectively, and should raise or appropriate $1,000.00 annually for a post war program.

Educational:

The State Department of Education for several years felt a need for the revision of the state course of study, and as the most progressive and recent trend has been toward a program of functional units the services of Dr. Burton from Harvard, an expert on the subject, was employed by the state department to aid in the revision.

Last summer two teachers from this union attended a workshop which dealt with the subject of the unit method of instruction at the University of Maine. Those teachers have taken the lead in helping other teachers to become familiar with the new type teaching procedure. If you hear considerable about, "The Industrial Revolution", "Indians", "The Farm", "Eskimos", or "Animals" it is the result of our beginnings with new methods of teaching and a reorganization of materials.

Respectfully submitted

MERLE S. JONES

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

We are now in the fourth year of a world-wide conflict-a conflict which means the loss of lives and of health to many of our loved ones. When we hear the appeal over the radio for more nurses to look after the youth of our country who, if not receiving nursing care, may pay the supreme sacrifice that we may continue to live in a democratic country, we feel very fortunate, indeed, that we are able to submit to you such a good report of the Public Health Nursing Service rendered to your town during the year 1944.

The following is a brief summary of the accomplishments of the Public Health Nurse for the year 1944.

34 visits have been made to the town during the year. While in the community the nurse made 23 visits to expectant mothers; 58 to mothers of infants; 44 to mothers of preschool children; and 4 to children with crippling conditions.

During the year a vaccination and toxoid clinic was held in the school at which 5 children were vaccinated and 17 protected against diphtheria. 30 were given the audiometer hearing test, and 29 children were given the tuberculin patch test. Much credit is due the Superintendent of schools, teachers, mothers and Health Council for such a worthy project as the hot lunch program.

2 Child Health Conferences have been held. 22 infants and preschool children attended. 9 were protected against diphtheria and 1 against small pox.

At this time the Public Health Nurse wishes to thank the officials of the Town, Superintendent of schools, teachers and members of the Health Council for their co-operation during the year.

Respectfully submitted
MARION YOUNG
Public Health Nurse

STATE OF MAINE FOREST SERVICE

January 11, 1945

Mr. Wyman G. Drinkwater,
Chairman, Board of Selectmen of Searsmont,
R. F. D.
Union, Maine.

Dear Mr. Drinkwater:

We wish to submit the following report on the white pine blister rust control work conducted in Searsmont in 1944. As you know, blister rust control is conducted under a cooperative agreement between the Federal Government and the Maine Forest Service, in which they cooperate with towns and pine owners.

As stated in our report for 1943, our records show that there are around 1,600 acres of lands bearing pine in sufficient quantity in Searsmont to warrant blister rust control measures, and that in order to protect this amount of pine, around 7,000 acres would need to be examined. During the past two years, real progress has been made in our control work, and we are pleased to be able to report that in 1944, in spite of adverse labor conditions, nearly 1,000 acres were crew worked, from which 14,750 wild Ribes, (currant and gooseberry bushes) the alternate host plants of the disease, were destroyed, at a cost of $678.33 (Town $195.92, and Fed. Gov. $482.41). You may need these figures for your town report.

As there are several thousand acres still needing protection, we trust that the town will see fit to make a similar appropriation in 1945. Any town funds made available will be supplemented by State and or Federal funds on at least a dollar for dollar basis.

Our Federal Agent, H. G. Bradbury, of Belfast, who has direct supervision of the work in your town, will call on you in the near future to discuss work plans for 1945.

Very truly yours,
W. O. FROST
Pathologist

WARRANT

Waldo, ss. **State of Maine**

To Ira L. Packard, a Constable of the Town of Searsmont in the County of Waldo, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town of Searsmont qualified by law to vote in town affairs to assemble in Dirigo Hall in said Town on the twelfth day of March, A. D. 1945 at ten o'clock Eastern War Time, in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes.

Art. 4. To choose three or more Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To choose a member of the School Committee for three years.

Art. 8. To choose one or more Constables and a Collector of Taxes and to determine the method of collecting the taxes.

Art. 9. To elect a Fire Chief, or to see what action the town will take in regard to the Fire Department.

Art. 10. To choose a Fire Warden and Inspector.

Art. 11. To choose all other Town Officers.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will accept the following ordinance to wit:

Be it ordained by the Inhabitants of the Town of Searsmont, in the County of Waldo and State of Maine.

Sec. 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm, company, or corporation to kindle a fire on his or its own land or land of another, other than for household purposes without first obtaining a permit for same from two of the duly elected Selectmen of said Town.

Sec. 2. Any person or persons, firm, company or corporation violating any of the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to prosecution by the Courts of Waldo County and State of Maine, and upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than $100,00; or by imprisonment for more than three months; or by both said fine and imprisonment.

Art. 13. To see what wages the Town will vote to pay men, teams, and trucks for the ensuing year.

13A To see what wages the Town will vote to pay trucks for plowing snow.

13B To see what the Town will vote to pay the Treasurer for the ensuing year.

13C To see what the Town will vote to pay the Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

13D To see what the Town will vote to pay the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

13E To see what the Town will vote to pay all other Town Officers.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to grant a two percent (2%) or more abatements on taxes for voluntary cash payments on or before July 10th.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate $55.00 for public health nursing in Searsmont, said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health, for local service.—$55.00.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to rescind any amounts appropriated by the Town for State Aid Highway construction in excess of the amount required to meet State apportionments.

Art. 17. To see what method the Town will vote to adopt for the care of the poor and needy of said town during the ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for Poor Relief.—$200.00.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for Supplement to Old Age Assistance and Blind.—$550.00.

Art. 20. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for Mother's Aid.—$175.00.

Art. 21. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for commission of Tax Collector.—$450.00.

Art. 22. To see how much money the Town will raise for salaries of Town officers.—$750.00.

Art. 23. To see how much money the Town will raise for Contingent Expenses.—$100.00.

Art. 24. To see how much money the Town will raise for Roads and Bridges.—$3,000.00.

24A To see what sum the Town will vote to set aside for maintenance of Pond Road.

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to continue annual payment for Street Lights according to terms of original agreement with additional street lights at North Searsmont.—$138.00.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise $631.00 for the maintenance of improved third class road.—$631.00.

Art. 27. To see what sum the Town will raise to cut bushes on improved roads.—$100.00.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will raise $500.00 to pay share of State Road Patrol as required for the ensuing year. —$500.00.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will raise $550.78 to take care of the overdraft in the snow removal for 1944-45.—$550.78

Art. 30. To see what sum the Town will raise for snow removal for the year 1945-46 and by what method snow shall be removed.—$500.00.

Art. 31. To see what sum the Town will raise to pay on outstanding notes on snow removal equipment.—$1,000.00

Art. 32. To see what action the Town will take in regard to working snow removal equipment in other towns.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the town will raise for rental, fuel and office supplies.—$300.00.

Art. 34. To see what sum the Town will raise for Interest of Loans.—$50.00.

Art. 35. To see what sum the Town will raise for support of common schools for the coming year.—$3,700.00.

Art. 36. To see what sum the Town will raise for Textbooks and supplies.—$300.00

Art. 37. To see what sum the Town will raise for secondary tuition.—$300.00.

Art. 38. To see what sum the Town will raise for the salary of School Superintendent.—$175.00.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $50.00 for fire equipment.—$50.00.

Art. 40. To see what sum the Town will raise to organize and maintain a Fire Department.—$100.00.

Art. 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of $175.00 to maintain Special Resolve Road.—$175.00.

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $200.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in the control of the White Pine Blister Rust in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 11, Sections 62-63-64.—$200.00.

Art. 43. To see whether or not the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 82, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Art. 44. To see how much the Town will vote to raise for Bonds for the Collector and Treasurer.—$20.00.

Art. 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise $50.00 for maintenance of Honor Roll and surrounding grounds. —$50.00.

Art. 46. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Ghent schoolhouse.

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans not exceeding a total of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00) and to execute and deliver in the name of the Town its note or notes therefor, said loan or loans to be paid during the municipal year out of money raised by taxes during current year.

Art. 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 49. To appoint a Budget Committee of twelve (12) or more representative citizens of the Town of Searsmont to meet with the Town Officials and make up our Annual Budget.

Art. 50. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen will be in session at Dirigo Hall at nine o'clock Eastern War Time, in the forenoon on the twelfth day of March, A. D. 1945 for correcting the Town Voting Lists.

Given under our hand, this Third day of March, A. D. 1945.

A true copy attest:

Constable of Searsmont.

WYMAN G. DRINKWATER,
ERNEST O. SPROWL
LAWRENCE ROBBINS,

Selectmen of Searsmont.

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